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Queen hit by object

Sands dies; anti-U.K. protests rock cities

LONDON, May 5 (Agencies) — The death of Irish Republican hunger-striker Bobby Sands sparked anti-British protests in number of world cities today and accusations that Britain had shown intransigence. The 27-year-old Irish Republican Army guerrilla, died early Tuesday in the 66th day of a hunger strike in Northern Ireland's Maze prison.

In Oslo, about 20 pro-IRA sympathizers greeted Britain's Queen Elizabeth when she arrived for a four-day visit. She was nearly hit by an object thrown by a demonstrator. The protesters chanted the name of Sands.

Socialist members of the European Parliament criticized Britain's handling of the case and said in a statement: "The government could have taken positive action to resolve this dispute without sacrificing any principle. We regret their failure to do so."

The Socialist grouping added that it had no sympathy for the IRA and its campaign of violence and murder.

Some of the harshest condemnation of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's government came from the United States, which has a strong Irish Republican lobby. While U.S. government expressed deep regret over Sands' death, individual politicians launched bitter attacks on Britain's Irish policies. Irish nationalist groups called for a boycott of British Airways and British goods.

Sen. Edward Kennedy, whose family is of Irish stock, urged Protestants and Catholics in Northern Ireland to "denounce the voices of bigotry, to renounce the path of terrorism and extremism."

The U.S. State Department said President Reagan "has expressed his deep concern about the tragic situation in Northern Ireland, the increasing violence of recent days, and the hunger strike."

In Moscow, the Soviet news agency Tass said the British government had condemned Sands to death by refusing to satisfy his demands.

Tass described the Maze prison where he had been held as a concentration camp.

Anti-British demonstrations were reported in Australia and Greece, where 60 left-wingers marched on the British embassy in Athens.

Anti-British protests took a more violent turn in France, where a warehouse in Marseilles shared by a British firm was damaged by a bomb. The French Communist Party Daily, *De Bumanite*, attacked President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing and his electoral rival François Mitterrand for not commenting on Sands' affair.

In the British House of Commons on Monday afternoon, legislators greeted the announcement of Sands' death in silence, and Prime Minister Thatcher declared Britain did never grant jailed IRA men political status "no matter how much hunger strike they may be." "He (Sands) chose to take his life — a choice his organization did not want many of their innocent victims," said Thatcher. "Terrorism is a crime and will always be a crime," she told legislators, adding that granting political status would be to reward innocent men, women and children. "Leaders of the opposition Labor Party backed her stand."

Despite pleas for calm by his family and the Irish and British governments, mobs of thousands took to the streets as news of Sands' death at 1:17 a.m. local time (0017 GMT) spread. Some cars were hijacked and piled up in makeshift barricades and there were reports of a few buildings being set on fire. Hundreds of troops and police moved in to contain the violence and prevent it from spilling over into neighboring Protestant areas.

There had been fears of renewed sectarian violence when Sands died. The British army in Northern Ireland said it was ready to react to any situation as it arose.

Young Roman Catholic youths had swept up Belfast Monday night, attacking British troops and police as Sands, who had been jailed for his part in the hunger strike, died in the British Parliament last month. As news of Sands' death spread, hundreds of youths took to the streets banging the lids of tin cans, the old warning to their men of

a sweep by British troops. Three other convicted Irish nationalists also are on hunger strike at the Maze. One has taken only water and salt for 52 days and the other two for 45 days. They also have vowed to fast to the death. Sands lapsed into



BELFAST: Two masked youths hold petrol bombs in front of stolen truck which had been set on fire in the Unity Flats district of West Belfast. Maze Prison hunger striker Bobby Sands died Tuesday in the 66th day of his fast.

coma early Sunday and never regained consciousness. His family was at his bedside along with a Catholic priest.

They did not speak to reporters, but earlier, as Sands lay dying, Mrs. Sands appealed for calm, saying: "My son is dying for improved prison conditions and not for more death and destruction."

Ripper claims mission to kill

LONDON, May 5 (AP) — Peter Sutcliffe, the truck driver who has admitted being the "Yorkshire Ripper," killer of 13 women in the worst string of attacks against women in British history, told psychiatrists he had a divine mission to kill, prosecution lawyers said Tuesday.

Attorney General Sir Michael Havers told a jury of six men and six women when Sutcliffe's trial resumed at the Old Bailey Central Criminal Court that three psychiatrists found Sutcliffe suffered from "paranoid schizophrenia."

"You have to decide whether this man sought to pull the wool over the doctors' eyes," Havers said. "You have to decide whether, as a clever, callous murderer, he deliberately set out to create a cock and bull story to avoid conviction for murder."

The trial of the soft-spoken Yorkshireman, whose victims were overpowered with hammer blows, and often stabbed and savagely mutilated, pleaded guilty when the trial opened last Thursday to lesser charges of manslaughter on grounds of "diminished responsibility" or lack of mental competence.

He pleaded guilty to seven charges of attempted murder of women who survived the five-year string of attacks which brought a reign of terror across five northern English cities.

Judge Sir Leslie Boreham ordered a jury trial to decide whether Sutcliffe really was insane or should be convicted of murder.

Waldheim holds talks in Moscow

MOSCOW, May 5 (AP) — U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim met Tuesday with Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet News Agency Tass reported.

"Kurt Waldheim noted the Soviet Union's contribution toward resolving major international problems and its active role in U.N. activities," Tass said. Waldheim arrived Monday afternoon for an official visit at the invitation of the Soviet government. He is in the last year of his second five-year term as secretary-general and regarded as a candidate for re-election. To receive a third term, Waldheim would need the approval of both

Arafat meets King, Fahd

Says U.S.-PLO contacts over Lebanon untrue

By Wahib Ghorab

RIYADH, May 5 — Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization, left for Kuwait Tuesday evening after a 24-hour visit and high-level talks in two meetings with King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd on the deteriorating situation in Lebanon. (A Saudi Cabinet meeting Monday under Crown Prince Fahd centered on the same issue.)

Arafat first met the King and later held a lengthy meeting with Prince Fahd, Saudi Arabian Ambassador to Lebanon, Sheikh Ali Al-Shaer, said after the three-hour meeting that the talks covered the tense situation following Israeli attacks on Palestinian and Syrian positions. The talks also dealt with Mideast developments in general, he added.

The meeting was attended by Prince Abdullah, the second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard; Defense and Aviation Minister Prince Sultan; Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al-Faisal and Ambassador Shaer. The Palestinian side included PLO Central Committee Member Hani Al-Hassan; and Rafiq Al-Natsha, the PLO representative in Saudi Arabia.

Arafat told *Arab News* he cabled King Khaled soon after the Israelis launched their recent and most ferocious military offensive in South Lebanon. He said Israel used air planes, rockets and other American supplied weapons, and internationally banned arms.

Arafat said King Khaled responded by making contacts with world leaders aimed at defusing the explosive situation.

The PLO chairman, said he was grateful to the King for supporting the Palestinian cause at every level including the visits of U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig, West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, and British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt, and others.

Arafat warned against an imminent military confrontation between Syria and Israel. He said that Lebanese villagers and Palestinian civilians have been facing a war of attrition since August 1980. He said he received a cable Tuesday indicating that the Israelis were massing troops along the border with South Lebanon.

The Palestinian leader said he has evidence that America is backing the Israeli threats, against Syria and the PLO despite the State Department's denial, and that he took up the matter with President Hafez Assad before coming here. He lambasted Richard Allen for stating that the Israelis have the right to track down the Palestinians "as if he were talking about a hunting party." He recalled, in this concern, the remarks of Zbigniew Brzezinski who said good by PLO.

He wondered "where is Brzezinski now the PLO is?"

NATO hits Soviet military buildup

ROME, May 5 (AFP) — The 15 foreign ministers of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) — Tuesday strongly condemned "the disturbing build-up" of Soviet military strength while supporting U.S. moves for a resumption of negotiations with Moscow to reduce nuclear arms in Europe.

In a communique issued at the end of a two-day meeting here, NATO ministers also called for the withdrawal of Soviet forces from Afghanistan, warned against any outside interference in Poland saying it could spark "the gravest of consequences for international relations as a whole" and called for a boost in NATO countries' military strength.

"The strength and cohesion of the alliance remains indispensable to guarantee the security of its members and thereby to foster stable international relations," the communique stated. Meanwhile, U.S. Secretary of State Alexander Haig said that Washington and Moscow would hold preliminary talks, at the ambassadorial level to prepare for a resumption of negotiations to limit nuclear missiles in Europe, possibly this fall.

Speaking before leaving Rome for a closed NATO ministerial meeting in Brussels, Haig said that he anticipated that formal negotiations between himself and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko would start before the end of the year. Haig indicated that he may meet his Soviet counterpart at the United Nations General Assembly.

Several European NATO members had sought a resumption of the Soviet-American arms reduction negotiations, and were clearly pleased with Haig's announcement of a move

in that direction.

No specific details of the planned increases in NATO military strength were provided. The allies also vowed to strive to provide

assistance for the economically less well-off NATO members and to strengthen the economic and social stability of the alliance as a whole.



ARAFAT IN RIYADH: King Khaled during his meeting in Riyadh Tuesday with PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, Khaled Al-Hassan, Arafat's political adviser, (right), and Rafiq Natsha, the PLO's representative in the Kingdom, also attended.

He also disclosed that military and political meeting with Syria and Libya were being boycotted by the steadfastness states' stand for facing any contingencies.

Arafat called on the Arabs to give a strong impetus to the dialogue for a national conciliation in Lebanon on the basis of the charter already approved by all Lebanese, the Arab summit resolutions and these of the Beirut Eddin conference.

The Palestinian leader said that a high-level Soviet officials will arrive in Damascus within 48 hours for talks with Syrian officials.

Arafat also denied that the United States had made contacts with the PLO through a third party over the situation in Lebanon. He

said that U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim and some Arab countries contacted "us but none disclosed that it was on behalf of the United States."

At the same time, Arafat praised Helmut Schmidt for his recent statements here, but lashed out at Britain, saying it must never forget that it created the Palestinian problem through the Balfour Declaration.

Arafat said that there was nothing new in the Arab-European conference this summer to be attended by the PLO. "We are members of the Euro-Arab dialogue and led the Arab group last year in the dialogue on our capacity as current chairman of the Arab

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Austrian Die Presse

Israeli attacks 'inconceivable'

VIENNA, May 5 (Agencies) — The Austrian paper *Die Presse* Tuesday found the verbal "attacks" of Israel's Premier Menachem Begin against West German Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and French President Valéry Giscard d'Estaing "inconceivable."

The paper explained that Israel was in an election fight and that Begin, and others, tried to win voters. But, the paper said "whatever Begin and wherever he says it, beyond Israel's borders, he is being listened to as government chief. In that position, he harmed his country and made it impossible for its friends to have understanding for assertions full of bad style and a hateful way of thinking."

In Bonn West German and Israeli diplomats prepared Tuesday for a meeting that could be crucial to deteriorating relations between the two countries. An official spokesman said the Foreign Ministry State Secretary Guenther Van Well, was expected to meet Israeli Ambassador Yohanan Meroz Wednesday. Begin accused Chancellor Helmut of arrogance, greed and callous disregard

of the extermination of Jews in World War II.

The outburst Sunday, repeated Monday was prompted by a statement by Schmidt that the Palestinians had a moral claim to self-determination. The spokesman declined to say whether Bonn would lodge an official protest over Begin's remarks.

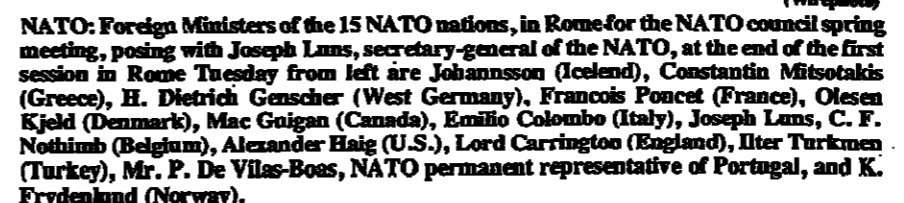
Foreign ministry officials in Israel had said a protest might be lodged with West Germany over the chancellor's remarks, made on television after his return last week from visits to Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates.

Although Schmidt's spokesman accused Begin Monday of electioneering and using insulting language, the chancellor refrained from mentioning the row in two public speeches. Schmidt has not visited Israel since becoming chancellor in 1974 and is known to have little sympathy for Begin's policies. At the same time Schmidt appeared to have broad support here in the face of Begin's remarks, which the opposition Christian Democrats have described as "unfair."

Aden reappoints Antar as minister

BAHRAIN, May 5 (R) — Col. Ali Ahmed Nasser Antar has been moved from his post as South Yemen's defense minister to head a new ministry for local government, an official announcement in Aden said Monday night. Col. Antar has also been appointed first deputy prime minister, it added. His successor at the defense ministry has not been named.

The Lebanese newspaper *Al-Nahar* said last week that Antar had been relieved of his post after protesting at the execution of former Foreign Minister Muhammad Saleh Mutea. But there has been no official statement in Aden on Mr. Mutea's fate.



NATO: Foreign Ministers of the 15 NATO nations, in Rome for the NATO council spring meeting, posing with Joseph Luns, secretary-general of the NATO, at the end of the first session in Rome Tuesday from left are Johannsson (Iceland), Constantinos Mitsotakis (Greece), H. Dietrich Genscher (West Germany), François Poncelet (France), Olesen Kjeld (Denmark), Mac Gugin (Canada), Emilio Colombo (Italy), Joseph Luns, C. F. Nothomb (Belgium), Alexander Haig (U.S.), Lord Carrington (England), Ilker Turkmen (Turkey), Mr. P. De Vlas-Boss, NATO permanent representative of Portugal, and K. Frydenlund (Norway).

in that direction. No specific details of the planned increases in NATO military strength were provided. The allies also vowed to strive to provide



MOSCOW TALKS: U.N. Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim (left) and Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko during their first meeting on Waldheim's arrival in Soviet Union at Sheremetyevo Airport.

Khaled honors Kreisky

By a Staff Writer

RIYADH, May 5 — Austrian Chancellor Dr. Bruno Kreisky was the guest of honor at a dinner banquet given by King Khaled Tuesday evening at the Mather Palace here. The dinner was attended by Crown Prince Fahd, Prince Abdullah, second deputy premier and commander of the National Guard, Defense Minister Prince Sultan and many other dignitaries. It was also attended by members of Dr. Kreisky's delegation.

Dr. Kreisky arrived earlier in the evening on a three-day official visit, his third since 1976, for talks with the Saudi Arabian leaders on a range of subjects of bilateral, regional and international interest. He was welcomed at the airport by Prince Fahd, Prince Abdullah, Riyadh Governor Prince Salman, Planning Minister Sheikh Hisham Nazer who will accompany him during his visit, and many others. Prince Fahd accompanied him to the guest palace.

(Arafat and Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky held talks in Riyadh Tuesday night before Arafat departed for Kuwait, the Saudi Press Agency said. It said that the two leaders exchanged views "on a number of issues led by the tense situation in Lebanon and the Palestinian problem.")

Official Austrian sources said the Austrian leader will seek to learn at first hand the views of the Saudi Arabian government on the Middle East question, Afghanistan, the new Gulf Cooperation Council of the six Arab states of the region and the ongoing Iraqi-Iranian conflict. He will brief his hosts on a number of European matters, the North-South dialogue and the European views on the Middle East question.

Of special importance to Austria will be the enlargement of the areas for economic cooperation between the two countries since Austria's balance of payments suffers a deficit in favor of the Kingdom, according to these sources. Last year, Austria exported \$H.2 billion worth of goods and imported \$H.5.2 billion worth of Saudi Arabian oil. The riyal is equal to nearly \$H.5. Twenty-five Austrian companies here have at present nearly \$R1 billion worth of contracts in hand.

After Dr. Kreisky's first visit here 1976, Prince Sultan went to Vienna in 1979 and held talks with Austrian leaders, and found that the country was eager to bolster its relations with the Arab world. Foreign Minister Prince Saud Al Faisal followed a year later and held talks with Dr. Kreisky who has been showing special interest in the Middle East question and sympathy with the Palestinian people. His country recognized the Palestine Liberation Organization as the legitimate representative of the Palestine people and he believes that it is only a matter of time before other European states followed suit. He declared that any talks about the future of the Middle East question would be futile without the involvement of the Palestinians through their own representative group, the PLO.

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By 40,000 head per month

Australians to beef up sheep exports

Houston Bureau

HOUSTON, May 5 — An Australian company is planning to air freight 40,000 sheep and lamb carcasses a month from Canberra, the country's capital, to Jeddah. The company, Goulburn Export Meats Pty Ltd., has bought a modernized abattoir at Goulburn, in one of Australia's best districts for growing fine-wooled Merino sheep. It is investing about \$8.4 million in the abattoir, and is about to purchase its own aircraft. Trevor Crouch, general manager of Goulburn Export Meats will be in Saudi Arabia to negotiate a contract on this chilled sheepmeat business, and expects to be in Jeddah to talk with local businessmen on May 7. The Goulburn abattoir was closed down

about a year ago, and since has failed to attract a buyer among the big meat companies operating in Australia. The Goulburn export meat company is a consortium of local sheep producers who believe they can offer Saudi Arabia a better service from farm to the new King Abdul Aziz Airport in Jeddah. Crouch, a former agricultural journalist and election publicist for the national country party in Australia, also is a sheep producer near Goulburn. Goulburn abattoirs was renovated at a cost of \$3.9 million about two years ago, specially for halal killing, at that time for sheep meat being exported to Kuwait. Meanwhile, Australian meat exporters seeking Saudi Arabian sales believe they have a serious threat in the possible decision

by Britain to place 30,000 tons of chilled lamb onto the Mideast market, to avoid penalties within the EEC. Australia currently exports about 45,000 tons of lamb to Mideast markets. It has been reported that two British abattoirs will soon meet Islamic slaughtering requirements. Last year Britain exported a mere 195 tons of lamb to the Mideast — mainly to Abu Dhabi and Dubai. The reason for the sudden British interest in the Mideast sheep meats market is an internal EEC levy that is hitting British lamb producers hard. Although Australians are concerned about the competition, they also are confident that their record as reliable suppliers of the required meats may count in their favor.



Donald Regan

Regan visit scheduled

RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — United States Secretary of Treasury Donald Regan will arrive here Friday to lead his country's delegation to the sixth session of the Saudi Arabian-United States Joint Economic and Technical Cooperation Commission. The meeting will be held from May 16 to 18. The Kingdom's side will be led by Finance and National Economy Minister Muhammad Abu Al-Khail. The meeting comes in the context of the economic and technical cooperation agreement signed between the two countries in 1975. During the commission's session, annual meetings between U.S. and Saudi Arabian businessmen will take place.

BRIEFS

Taiwan minister due
RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — Taiwan's communications minister, Len Ichong Sun, is expected to arrive here next Saturday on a few days visit to the Kingdom. Sun will hold talks with his Saudi Arabian counterpart Sheikh Hussein Al-Mansouri on bilateral cooperation in the field of transport and communications and the possibility of Taiwanese firm participation in the process of development in the Kingdom.

UPM sports ceremony
DHAHRAN, May 5 (SPA) — The University of Petroleum and Minerals will hold the final ceremony for concluding the university's sports festival Thursday and Friday. The universities of Riyadh, King Abdul Aziz, King Faisal, Imam Muhammad ibn Saud and Ummul Qura are participating in the games. UPM Rector Dr. Bakr Abdullah Bakr will hand out prizes to winners.

Conference participation planned
RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — The Kingdom will take part in the "Immigration to the Arab World" conference to be held in Nicosia, Cyprus, May 11 to 16. The conference is organized by the West Asia Economic Committee of the United Nations. Dr. Yassin Andrafiri, assistant deputy minister for social affairs, will lead the Kingdom's delegation to the conference.

Emergency force inspected
QASIM, May 5 (SPA) — Qasim Governor Prince Abdul Illah made a field inspection of the Emergency Force of Qasim Tuesday. He was briefed on the force's duties and services and watched models of its exercises. He was accompanied by 1st Lt. Hussain Al-Harthy, the emergency force commander.

Over-pricing checked
RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — The Commerce Ministry has undertaken necessary measures to make tighter checks on markets to stabilize consumer prices after the salary increases in the new budget, according to Tawfiq Ibrahim, deputy minister for catering.

Saudi Arabian firm chosen for Pakistan export zone

JEDDAH, May 5 — A Saudi Arabian project is one of the six industrial undertakings approved for establishment in the first export processing zone being set up in Pakistan, the Pakistan embassy reported Tuesday. The zone is being developed near Karachi. It will be duty-free area, exempt from all import and export restrictions. Zone authorities have received by now about 50 proposals, most of them from foreign investors. But it has taken up six projects for implementation immediately. The other investors whose projects have been approved belong to the United States, West Germany, Singapore, the United Arab Emirates and Hong Kong. The total investment involved in the six projects comes to \$20 million and their

annual export potential amounts to about \$60 million. While the Saudi Arabian investor will be establishing a plant for structural foam, the other investors will be building industries in highly sophisticated power distribution equipment, electrical appliances, ceramics and tiles-making, and ready-made garments, the embassy added. The basic infrastructure in the zone has been laid and the approved enterprises are expected to start trial production by early next year.

COMMENT

By Abdullah Omar Khayyat
Al Jazirah

When the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency permitted the opening of women's banks here a lot of controversy arose. Some hailed the decision and others condemned it. Bank owners anticipated a sudden surge of deposits and millions in money, which used to lie at home, to find its way to the banks. Those who supported what was called the "women's cause" believed this was it and that the banks will absorb a great number of unemployed Saudi Arabian women, specially graduates of economics, accounting and banking.

The result so far has been negative. The banks are doing so little business that the income hardly covers the expenses of opening such branches and those who wished to see the vacancies filled in by local women have been jolted. All the jobs are occupied by foreign women and the wives or relatives of foreigners of every description except Saudi Arabian, as if SAMA merely allowed the women's branches for the sake of hiring the women of expatriate personnel.

This has defeated the purpose of SAMA and the conception of women's banks. Which leads me to appeal to SAMA to warn these banks that if they do not hire 75 per cent Saudi Arabian women on their staffs they will have to close down. Then the foreign staffers can go back to their homes and children and do something more useful.

Talal meets Moi

NAIROBI, May 5 (AFP) — Prince Talal of Saudi Arabia and President Daniel Arap Moi of Kenya talked for 30 minutes here about bilateral issues, the Kenya news agency said. The agency quoted Moi as telling his visitor that Kenya and Saudi Arabia have old, friendly ties "which we must strive to strengthen further."

Prince Talal, brother of Saudi Arabia's King Khalid and a special envoy of the United Nations Children's Fund, will visit a number of UNICEF projects in Nairobi during his three-day stay in Kenya.

Monday's talks were attended by a minister of state in the Kenyan president's office, Nicholas Biwot, and Foreign Affairs Minister Robert Ouko. The prince arrived in Kenya Sunday.

Prince Talal was appointed UNICEF Special Envoy a year ago and has since raised more than \$10 million from governments and private sources.

Okaz marks anniversary

JEDDAH, May 5 (SPA) — Makkah Governor Prince Majed attended a ceremony for Okaz Press Establishment to mark the fifth anniversary of Saudi Gazette. He hailed the role of the press in Saudi Arabia in projecting the Kingdom's overall development boom.

The ceremony was attended by Iyad Medani, Okaz's director general, and Saud Islam, editor of Saudi Gazette.



(SPA photo)

COOPERATION: Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Al-Sheikh held a work session with his Jordanian counterpart, Brig. Mamoun Khalil, Tuesday morning. Photo shows meeting between Gen. Al-Sheikh and Brig. Khalil Monday.

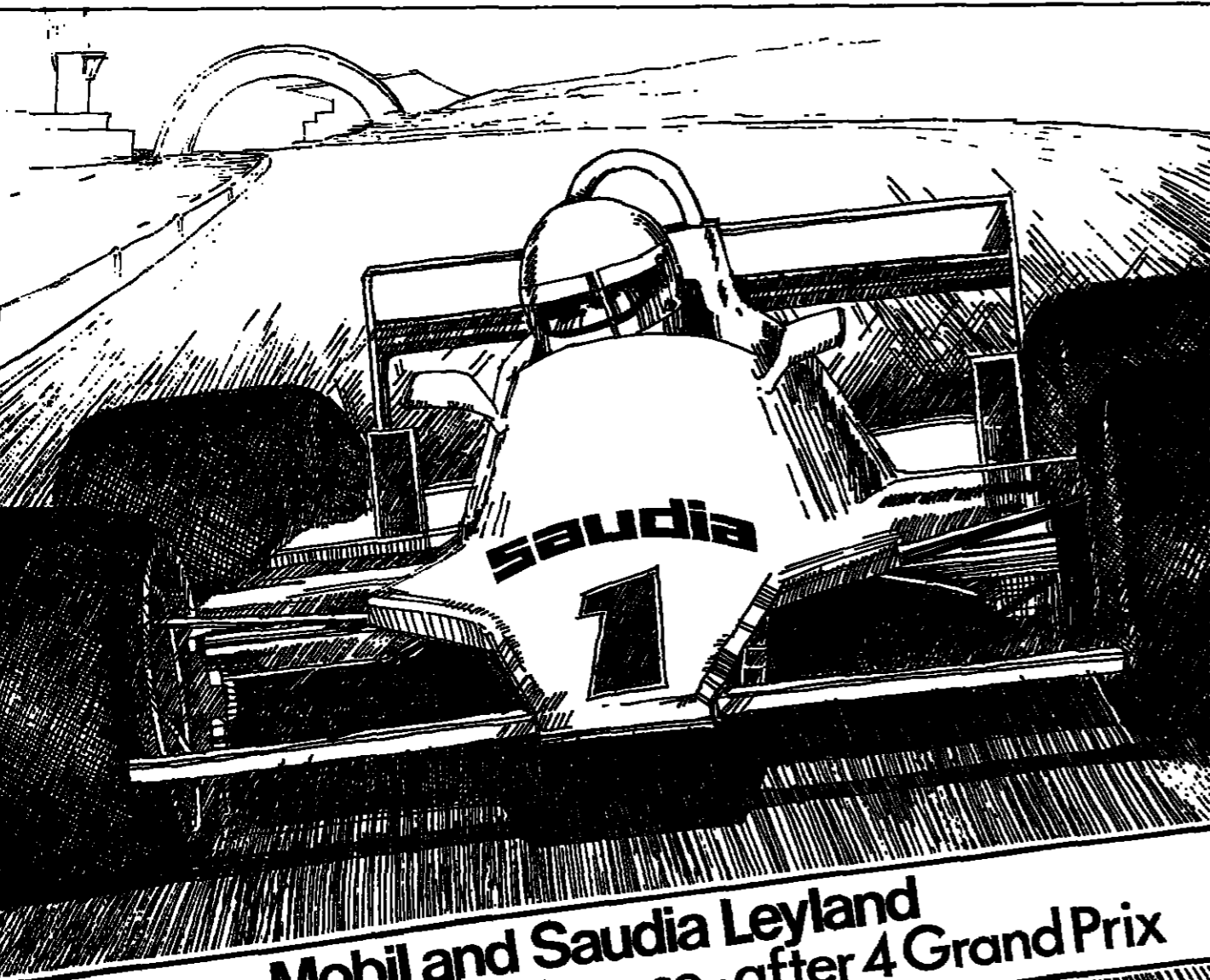
Naif meets Jordanian official

RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — Interior Minister Prince Naif received the Jordanian director of public security, Brig. Mamoun Khalil, and his delegation Tuesday. Brig. Khalil conveyed a cordial verbal message from Jordanian Interior Minister Sulaiman Arar to Prince Naif. The Jordanian official also was received by

Deputy Interior Minister Prince Ahmad later. Both audiences were attended by Public Security Director Gen. Abdullah Abdul Rahman Al-Sheikh. Brig. Khalil said after his meeting with Gen. Al-Sheikh Monday that security cooperation between the two countries is limitless and aims at the interest of their citizens.

Prayer Times

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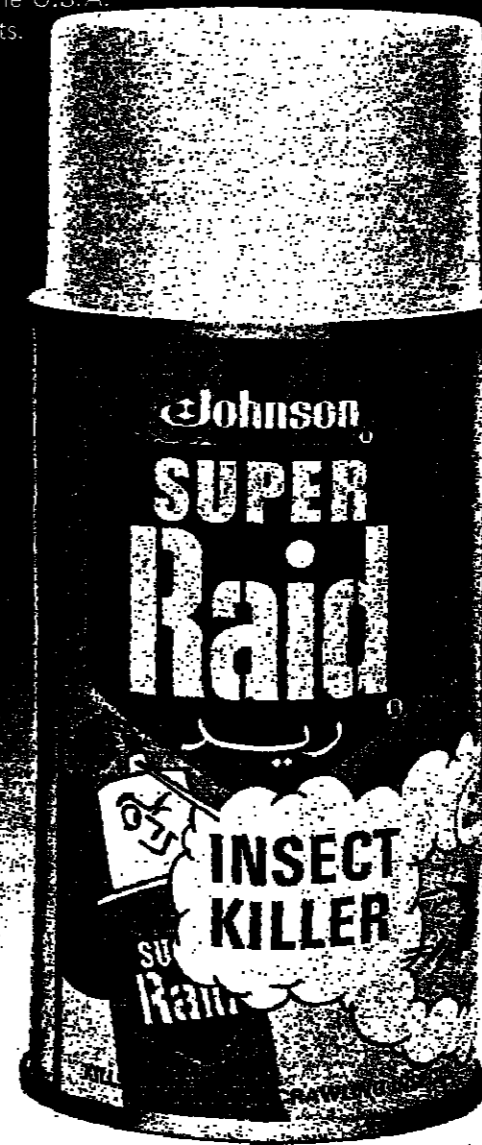
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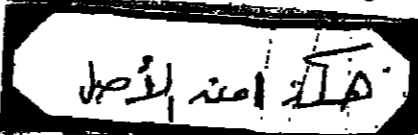
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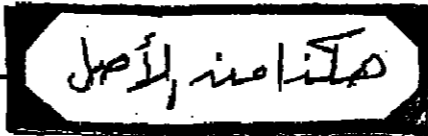


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Kingdom's economy can absorb funds

RIYADH, May 5 (SPA) — Minister of Finance and National Economy Sheikh Muhammad bin Abdulaziz Al-Khail Monday reaffirmed that the Kingdom's economy has a "very good absorption capacity". Speaking on Saudi Arabian television, the minister said that the expenditures of last year's budget of SR 245 billion had been financed by the sale of government securities to the tune of SR265 billion. Of this, SR211 bil-

year was 4.6 per cent. He urged all those civil and military personnel, who have been covered by the pay increase, not to spend their funds by buying unnecessary items in the market. The minister said the diversion of the increase toward savings would benefit both the citizen and the state, and urged borrowers from the industrial, agricultural and real estate funds to be punctual in payment of loan instalment — considering it as a national obligation. The repayment of loans will enable another citizen to obtain a loan from those funds without delay, he said.

The minister mentioned that the liquidity ratio, according to the assessment of the Saudi Arabian Monetary Agency (SAMA) was within the limits of 16 per cent during the previous fiscal year. He described the ratio as "reasonable", since it kept the modes of payment parallel to economic activity.

Referring to the achievements of the loan funds and other institutions of the Ministry of Finance, the minister said the Industrial Fund for Development (IFD) has so far financed 710 industrial projects, besides the loans which were given to the electricity companies to expand their networks. In addition, the Real Estate Development Fund financed the construction of 35,864 housing units during the previous year, he said, adding that the fund gave loans to the tune of more than SR49 billion for the construction of 236,000 housing units.

In regard to the general investments fund, Aba Al-Khail said it has financed 19 Petromin projects and seven projects of Saudi Arabian Basic Industries Corporation (SABIC), in addition to buying 48 new aircraft for Saudi, the national carrier. He declared that SABIC will start work on 11 industrial projects for refineries and petrochemical products. This fund would give a loan to the tune of SR6.6 billion for such projects, he added. The minister said that Petromin would set up refineries in Jubail, Yanbu and Rabegh, besides two tube



Muhammad bin Abdulaziz Al-Khail

was spent by the end of last week, but the rate is expected to rise to nearly SR215 million or more as a result of delay in some checks, he said. Aba Al-Khail said that 60 per cent of the 215 billion figure had been spent on projects while recurring expenditure on government departments, subsidy and general items raised within 40 per cent. He expected a rise in the cost of living in the new budget within the limits of 3 per cent only, while the average of last

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Bekaa feels secure

Public hails Syrian missiles

DIER ZEINOUN, Lebanon, May 5 (AP) — The Lebanese grandmother hushed the clutch of grandchildren around her and said: "I told the Syrian officer, you must use your missiles against the Israeli jets and enable us to hold our heads high — otherwise you might as well put your head down in shame and go back to Syria now, taking your missiles with you."

The grandmother's words appeared representative of the reaction of the population of Lebanon's Bekaa Valley to the deployment in the their lush fields and blooming orchards of Syrian SAM-6 anti-aircraft missiles.

The arrival of the missiles last week immediately after Israeli jets had shot down two helicopters of the Syrian peacekeeping

force in Lebanon threatens to spark off a new Arab-Israeli war. "We are already at war" the grandmother, 60-year-old Umm Ghasan Housi blurted out when asked if she were not afraid of the use of the missiles might lead to war. "Israeli jets have been bombing Lebanon and the missiles should have been brought in long time ago to restore our pride that we are not having our people killed without doing anything about it," she added.

"Now at least, we have a sense of security," said Abu Ziyad, the keeper of a cafe by the side of the main Beirut-Damascus Highway. "With the missiles there, the Israelis will think twice before attacking again."

The constantly rotating radar scanner of the missile battery and gleaming white-and silver 18-foot long missiles around it with

their noses pointing menacingly into the clear blue sky, added a new dimension to the tranquility of the pastoral scene.

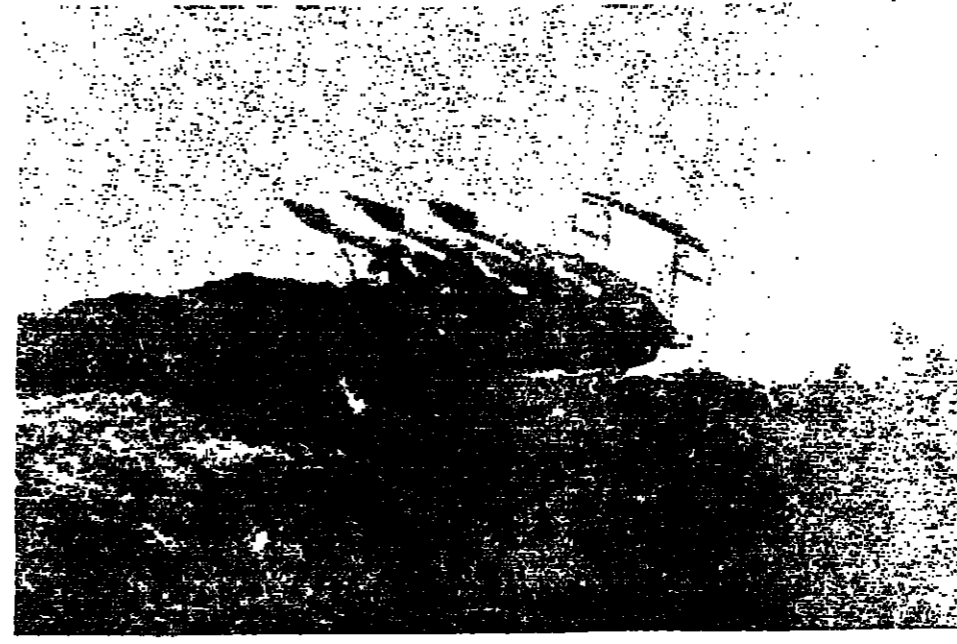
Abu Ziyad's 12-year-old son, Ziyad, could hardly keep away his eyes off them. "I want to see them blasting off and bringing an Israeli jet down," said the boy who was wearing a T-shirt emblazoned "Battle of the Planets" and bearing the picture of a robot hurling rockets.

Indira denounces Soviet occupation of Afghanistan

KUWAIT, May 5 (AP) — Indian Prime Minister Indira Gandhi denounced the Soviet military occupation of Afghanistan and urged the superpowers to quit the Gulf region, according to an interview published here Tuesday.

"One military presence (in the Gulf) automatically attracts another," Mrs. Gandhi was quoted as saying in an interview with the English-language newspaper *Kuwait Times* and the Arabic daily *Al-Qabas*. Asked to comment on the newly-created Gulf Cooperation Council, she said "If it is a grouping against something, then it will invite reaction...which could grow into confrontation."

"On the other hand, the council will have positive results if the idea is for each country to strengthen itself and remain independent," she said.



SAMS: Syrian surface-to-air-missiles (SAMS) pictured in the Bekaa Valley of Lebanon recently after they were introduced as a deterrent to Israeli air raids deep into the country. The missile launcher is located only eight miles outside Zableh, capital of the region, and on a hilltop 500 meters from the Beirut-Damascus highway.

Israel escalates war, says Egypt

UNITED NATIONS, May 5 (AP) — Egypt, before the U.N. Palestinian Rights Committee Monday, accused its treaty partner, Israel, of escalating aggression in recent raids into Lebanon.

Egyptian delegate Reda Ahmad Shehah, an observer at the committee's latest organization meeting, said Egypt believed Israel's military action in Lebanon was a plot to annex territory. He said the raids, making no distinction between Lebanese and Palestinians, violated the Palestinians' rights.

Zehdi Labib Terzi, the Palestine Liberation Organization's U.N. observer, described them as "genocidal." Massimbe Sarre of Senegal, the U.N. committee's new chairman, said his attendance at a meeting of the Palestine National Council, the PLO's

deliberative body, in Damascus April 11-15 marked the U.N. committee's first input into the work of the PLO Council. He said the council is pleased with the committee's efforts to promote understanding of the Palestinian cause, and sent its thanks.

Sarre takes over the chairmanship from Fallou Kane, his predecessor as head of Senegal's U.N. mission. The committee re-elected its vice chairmen, Raul Roa-Kouri of Cuba and Farid Zarif of Afghanistan, and its reported, Victor J. Gauci of Malta.

Other U.N. members on the committee, created by the U.N. General Assembly in 1975, are Cyprus, East Germany, Guinea, Guyana, Hungary, India, Indonesia, Laos, Madagascar, Malaysia, Mali, Nigeria, Pakistan, Romania, Sierra Leone, Tunisia, Turkey, the Ukraine and Yugoslavia.

Tripartite talks in U.S.

Sinai force details getting ready

WASHINGTON, May 5 (R) — Military experts from the United States, Israel and Egypt met here Monday to draft plans for a 2,000-man force to patrol the Sinai after Israel's scheduled withdrawal from the peninsula next April.

The United States has agreed to provide up to half of the men needed for the buffer force, with the remainder to come from other volunteering countries, officials said. The 1979 peace treaty between Egypt and Israel called for the formation of a multinational force to be set up in the Sinai under the auspices of the United Nations.

But officials have long expected that the Soviet Union would veto the move to demonstrate its continuing opposition to the treaty and the Camp David accords which led to the agreement.

The military experts meeting at the State Department over the next three days are

working out technical details for the force, officials said. Diplomats from the three countries are to convene in Cairo later this month to review the plan. The 2,000-man force contemplated in the early planning is considerably smaller than had been sought by Israel, which wanted a strong U.S. presence in the Sinai.

Egypt opposed a larger force, in part because some countries have voiced suspicions that the U.S. troops might be used as a spearhead of a Rapid Deployment Force for intervention in emergencies in the Gulf area. No other countries have publicly stepped forward to offer troops for the Sinai force despite weeks of active recruiting by Egypt, diplomatic sources said.

Countries which have been approached as donors include several Scandinavian nations, Nepal, the Fiji Islands, Australia, New Zealand and more than a dozen others, the sources said.

Israeli ruling irks Christians

JERUSALEM, May 5 (AFP) — Israel's tourism ministry has ruled that only official guides may conduct organized tours, effectively barring priests of all denominations from leading pilgrimages to the holy land.

The move, spelled out in a letter from the ministry to travel agencies in Jerusalem, has angered local Christian leaders, who have decided to petition to Pope and various Western governments to apply diplomatic pressure to change the ruling.

The Pilgrimage Committee in Jerusalem, which includes representatives of churches and specialist travel agencies, has also complained to the religious affairs tours in the ruling.

The tourist ministry threatened to cancel the operating licences of the agencies specializing in pilgrimages if they did not conform to the regulation by July 1.

To Pakistan

U.S. arms sales credits delayed

ISLAMABAD, May 5 (AP) — Pakistan will not receive some \$400 million in military sales credits from the United States in 1982 because the two governments did not reach agreement in time for inclusion in U.S. President Ronald Reagan's budget proposal, a well-placed Western diplomatic source disclosed here.

"The Pakistanis were given about 10 days in March to decide," said the source, who asked not to be named. Islamabad allowed the deadline to pass, preferring to hammer out positions during Pakistan Foreign Minister Agha Shahi's visit to Washington last month. Both sides characterized the visit as successful, although a U.S. State Department spokesman confirmed arms sales talks did not go very well.

The source said Pakistan's agreement had been needed in March so that the proposed credits could be submitted to the congress.

Ziaur's talks in Bonn to stress development

BONN, May 5 (R) — President Ziaur Rahman of Bangladesh who arrived here Monday on a three-day visit to West Germany is expected to concentrate on economic cooperation and development in his talks with the German leaders. The Bangladesh president, who is accompanied by his wife, was welcomed at the official presidential residence by Federal President Karl Carstens and the two leaders quickly began their first scheduled meeting.

Bangladesh, the world's most densely populated country with 90 million people, receives the largest share of West German aid to the world's poorest countries. Bonn is involved in two major projects, family planning and energy exploration which are likely to play an important role in Ziaur's talks with Chancellor Helmut Schmidt and other leaders.

West Germany has allocated a large amount to Bangladesh to develop its medical and family planning system, Bonn officials said. They said Bangladesh's efforts to introduce a voluntary birth control program were unique in the Islamic world. West Germany is also involved in a key scheme to help the country locate and exploit energy resources. A West German survey has already found a commercially viable natural field in Bangladesh and it is also prospecting for oil.

BRIEFS

BEIRUT, (AP) — Iranian firing squad executed five "drug smugglers" and two men guilty of "the vile act of sodomy" which "took place in prison" in the northwestern city of Tabriz Tuesday, Tehran radio reported.

UNITED NATIONS, (AP) — The U.N. Development Program announced Monday it had reopened its office in Chad, which was closed in March 1980 because of civil war.

TEHRAN, (AFP) — A young girl was killed and three women injured when a grenade exploded in Kashan, about 300 kms south of Tehran, the daily *Mikayhan* newspaper reported Monday.

CAIRO, (AFP) — Egyptian poet Ahmad Fuad Negm was arrested by the security police last Wednesday, the progressive unionist rally party said Monday in its newspaper *El Takadam*. Negm, author of a number of works, had severely criticized President Anwar Sadat and his regime.

TEL AVIV, (AP) — Maj. Yoram Eytan, 26, the fighter pilot son of Israel's Chief of Staff Lt. Gen. Raphael Eytan, was killed Monday when his plane crashed during training maneuvers.

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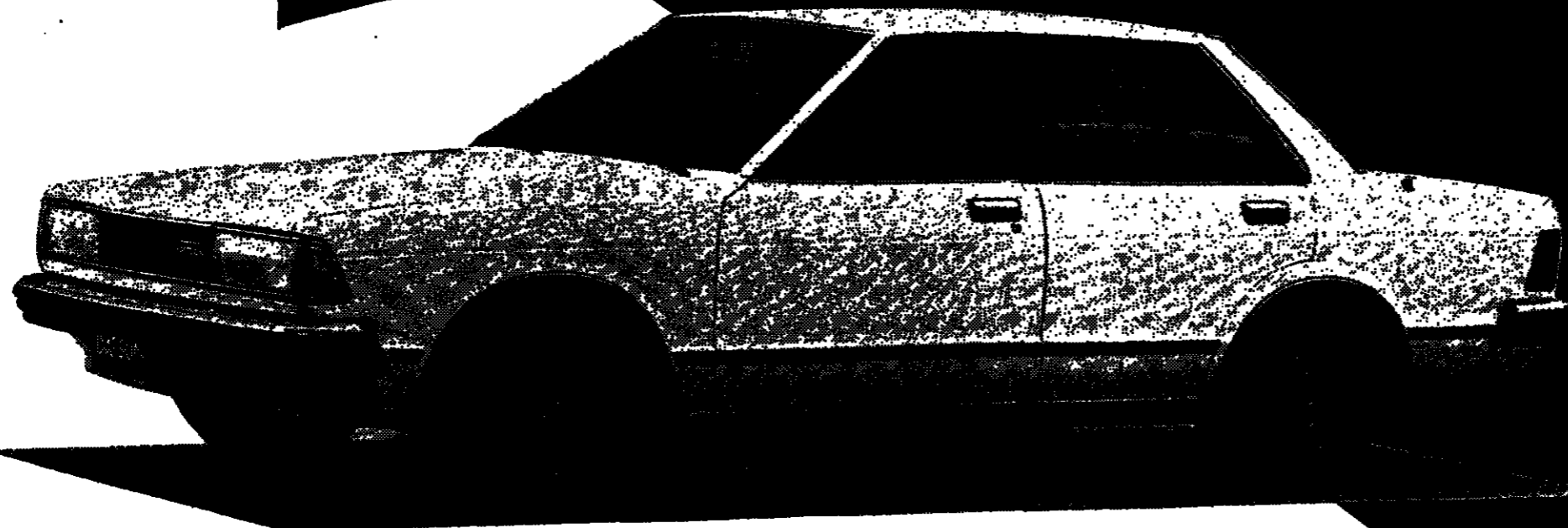
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Bobby Sands: A hero or terrorist?

By Jeff Bradley

BELFAST — To Roman Catholic Irish nationalists, Irish Republican Army hunger-striker Bobby Sands, the first Irish nationalist hunger striker to die in Northern Ireland, was a freedom fighter and romanticized hero. To the British government and most of the Protestant majority in Northern Ireland, he was simply a terrorist who chose to take his own life.

Few figures have so symbolized the sectarian divide in this British province, partitioned from the rest of Ireland in 1922. Sands, who spent the last third of his life behind bars for IRA activities, died Tuesday demanding that convicted IRA guerrillas be treated as political prisoners — as they were from June 1972 to March 1976. His death follows a long tradition in the IRA. Thirteen IRA men have died this century while on hunger strike, opposing the British presence in Ireland.

The first was Thomas Ashe, a leader of the ill-fated 1916 Easter rising in Dublin — and the latest before Sands was Frank Stagg, who died in England's Wakefield prison in 1976 after a 62-day fast.

Sands launched his fast on March 1, bitter over the failure of a mass hunger strike last year to win special status. He claimed the British tricked the hunger strikers into abandoning that protest with fake concessions.

In April, on his 40th day without food in the Maze prison outside Belfast, Sands had already ensured that his name would live in the annals of the IRA's campaign to get the British out.

On that polling day he was elected to the British parliament from Fermanagh and South Tyrone, a Catholic majority district in the southwest of the province. He never took his seat in the House of Commons, dying for his political cause while still behind bars. Until his fast, Sands was little known outside his family and small circle of friends. The hunger strike made him a hero among Irish Republicans, or nationalists, seeking the reunion of Protestant-dominated and British-ruled Northern Ireland with the independent and predominantly Catholic Irish Republic to the south.

He had written his own epitaph in a series of essays and poems scribbled on toilet paper and smuggled out of jail in 1978 and 1979. He wrote of his cell, "My tomb may be my grave."

"The writings of Bobby Sands" became a best-seller in Catholic enclaves as his hunger strike approached its end. He likened his unbroken spirit to that of a caged lark and described himself as a "political prisoner of war."

A picture of him as a smiling, healthy 21-year-old with long brown hair became familiar to newspaper readers around the world and was plastered on walls throughout the province. But in Protestant areas there was no sympathy as Sands started himself to death. "The murderers have a choice, their victims had none," said one slogan in Protestant East Belfast.

Sands' fast brought an upsurge in tension and violence in the strife-ridden province and drew the world's press to Belfast. It also brought intervention by Pope John Paul II, who in 1979 on a visit to the republic had appealed "on my knees" for the warring factions to seek peace.

American sympathizers included former attorney general Ramsey Clark and fasting veteran Dick Gregory, while there were appeals from many gov-

ernments for British Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher to prevent Sands' unnatural demise.

Bernadette Devlin McAliskey, the Catholic civil rights campaigner here, declared as he neared the end: "Britain, in allowing Bobby Sands to die, is about to make a historical error of major proportions."

Robert Gerard Sands was born in Rathcoole, a mostly Protestant suburb of Belfast, on March 9, 1954, the eldest of four children. At that time it was possible for Catholics and Protestants to live in some harmony and Sands was a medal winner at a Protestant athletic club. But in an autobiography smuggled out of prison, he wrote that his family was "intimidated out of our home" in 1972, at the height of the troubles, when a garbage can was thrown through their front window, followed by a volley of gunshots. The Sands family moved to the Twinbrook area of Catholic west Belfast for safety.

"Soon after, I was intimidated from my workplace at gunpoint," he wrote — he had been an apprentice at a bus manufacturing plant.

"Soon after that I joined the Provos (the IRA's militant Provisional wing). I had seen too many homes wrecked, fathers and sons arrested, neighbors hurt, friends murdered.

"Too much gas, shootings and blood. Most of it our own people's."

Joining the Provos when he was 18, Sands recalled: "My life now centered around sleepless nights and standbys, dodging the Brits and calming nerves to go out on operations."

On one of these in 1972 he was arrested and the next year sentenced to five years for two armed robberies at service stations, two attempted hold-ups and arms possession. He was given a three-year concurrent sentence for membership in the

outlawed IRA.

At that time, Britain recognized IRA guerrillas as being politically motivated and treated them as "special category" prisoners, able to wear their own clothes and organize their own activities in special compounds at the Maze prison, which the IRA calls Long Kesh. It was these very privileges for which he was later to go on hunger strike and die.

He married a Belfast girl by special license in prison in Feb. 1975 and was released 14 months later. They had one son but later separated and Sands' wife, Geraldine, moved to England. In October 1976, Sands was re-arrested after a shoot-out with security forces following a bombing incident at a Belfast furniture warehouse. He was held in custody until his trial with five other men on Sept. 7, 1977, when he was sentenced to 14 years as an ordinary criminal for possession of a revolver and ammunition with intent to endanger life.

This time Sands returned to the Maze without the "special category" status, which the British government had abolished on March 1, 1976. The government decision came after a government panel, the Gardiner Committee, ruled that the loosely-run compounds had become a "university of terror" in which guerrillas, living 30 to a hut, carried out military training with dummy weapons and underwent political indoctrination. Hundreds of young men came out as hardened terrorists with an even deeper hatred of the British.

Ironically, Britain had been pressured into introducing special category by a 38-day-long mass hunger strike in 1972 by IRA men in Long Kesh who thought of themselves as prisoners of war. They were subsequently allowed to associate freely in their compounds, wear their own civilian clothes and do no prison work — the principal demands made by Sands. He also asked for more generous

mail and visiting privileges and for the restoration of lost parole time.

Once back at the Maze in 1977, Sands joined the "dirty protest" by 450 IRA inmates who went naked, refusing to wear prison clothes and fouling their cells with excrement.

The British government steadfastly refused their demand for restoration of political status on grounds it had lent legitimacy to the use of bombs and bullets and terrorism. Since violence erupted in August 1969, terrorism has claimed nearly 2,100 lives and ravaged the province with bombs and fires.

During Sands' hunger strike, Mrs. Thatcher underlined her resistance by stressing: "A crime is a crime." But clear evidence that Sands' protest did have a political dimension came in the April 9 parliamentary election.

The Fermanagh and South Tyrone seat had become vacant on the death of Catholic lawmaker Frank Maguire. At first, Bernadette McAliskey announced she would seek the seat — she is a former member of the Commons — but she withdrew to add weight to Sands' campaign. The hunger-striker beat hardline Protestant Harry West by a majority of 1,446 votes. Sands had received a total of 30,492 votes. But Mrs. Thatcher was adamant and said it would remain her policy to deny political recognition to "convicted criminals now or at all."

Her calculation was in part response to the threat posed by Northern Ireland Protestants, particularly the militants paraded by the Rev. Ian Paisley and the paramilitary forces of the Ulster Defense Association, who warned against surrendering to the IRA. Most of the province's prison guards, police and British army troops are Protestant. (AP)

ISRAELI PROVOCATIONS

The indications from Lebanon are that Syria is sending in more SAMs to the Bekaa valley in Lebanon, against possible further Israeli strikes against Syrian positions there. Damascus also said that it is only doing what is necessary to ensure its own security, and that the so-called "red line" which the Israelis refer to as having been infringed by the action is a matter for the Syrians and Lebanese themselves.

The Israelis themselves are insisting that the SAMs be withdrawn, while Washington is reportedly pressing Israel not to embark on any military adventures in Lebanon. The Americans are also known to have contacted Moscow in the hope of bringing Soviet pressure on the Syrians to withdraw their missiles and avoid a full confrontation.

Syria's response to the Israeli challenge, which reached its climax after two Syrian helicopters were shot down over the Bekaa valley by the Israeli air force, is however not purely military. Its foreign minister, Abdul Halim Khaddam, is in Lebanon for the second round of talks in pursuit of a political settlement. Such a settlement is recognized as the prerequisite for the solution of the military problem the Lebanese crisis poses for all parties.

Whatever the outcome of those negotiations, one thing is clear. The move of the SAMs into Lebanon came only after the Israelis sought to make all of the country a free fire zone for their air force. And it is the challenge to this posed by the SAMs which the Israelis are seeking to present as a threat to peace. The United States, before everyone else, ought to realize this, and make Israel desist from further provocations, as the consequences can be very dangerous indeed, and not merely for the immediate parties of the conflict.

Will Mitterrand beat Giscard?

By Robin Smyth

PARIS — Socialism is on the threshold of victory in France. The conservatism of President Giscard d'Estaing is fighting with its back to the wall. The French Communist Party has suffered the most crushing defeat in its history. This is the shape of the political upheaval accomplished and still in the making after last Sunday's half-time ballot selected President Giscard and Socialist leader Francois Mitterrand to fight the final contest for power on May 10.

The first round has left the 36,740,000 French voters so equally divided between Right and Left that a handful of voters, a misplaced word by one of the two contenders or — most decisive of all — their showing when they cross words in one or two carefully prepared TV debates could make all the difference between victory and defeat.

The first ballot placed Giscard at the head of the list of 10 candidates with 28.2 per cent and Mitterrand close behind him with 25.8 per cent. The rest of the field, who are now struck out of the race, trailed far behind. The Gaullist mayor of Paris, Jacques Chirac, who had announced that he would be one of the two leaders, was third with 17.9 per cent. The Communist Georges Marchais was fourth

with 15.3 per cent. France is now seeing a replay of the presidential battle of seven years ago in which Giscard beat Mitterrand by only a few hundred thousand votes. The difference is that this time Giscard embarks four percentage points weaker than his first round showing in 1974, when he had no record in power to explain and live down. This time, too, he is threatened with the defection of part of the rebellious middle-class following of Chirac, who rejects the prospect of another seven years of Giscard.

Mitterrand, on the other hand, emerges from the first round with the largest Socialist vote since the liberation and with signs that Communist voters are prepared to flock to his banner even when their leaders tell them not to.

However, Giscard fights well with his back to the wall, and middle-class revolts against conservative leadership have a way of falling apart when there is an immediate threat of a left-wing takeover. The sensation of the vote count was the totally unexpected debacle of the Communist Party. One out of four Communist voters decided either to stay away from the polls or to vote against their leader.

The movement of Communists toward the Socialists was most pronounced in the Communist citadels of the industrial north and the Red Belt of Paris suburbs, which had been considered impervi-

ous to outside influence. The last Communist candidate to enter a presidential race — Jacques Duclos in 1969 — scored 21.5 per cent. The rebuff to Marchais is all the greater because it happened while he was fighting a tauntingly anti-Socialist campaign. One Communist supporter has begun to think for themselves and refuse ideas from above they may be irreclaimable.

The shock was all the greater for Marchais because no opinion poll had given him less than 17 per cent and all the commentators had pointed out that the polls regularly underestimate Communist strength. Marchais moved toward polling day surrounded by admiring crowds and obviously prepared for good news. Later the shaken Communist leader appeared before the TV cameras and blamed the result on the Socialist appeal for a "useful" vote which would not be thrown away on a second-string candidate.

But Marchais' critics among the intellectuals of the party point to his constant harassment of the Socialists, his endorsement of Soviet policy in Afghanistan and Poland, and his attempts to harness racist feelings by staging demonstrations against African immigrants.

If Giscard and Mitterrand manage to hold the allegiance of the supporters of the different candidates on their respective sides of the fence, Giscard will have 49.1 per cent and Mitterrand 47 per cent. The outcome would then depend on the 3.9 per cent of the ecologist Brice Lalonde. The ecologists are predominantly leftist, but Lalonde is giving them no orders one way or the other.

In fact, the attitude of Gaullist voters and of the Communist Party will decide the day. If in defeat the Communists carry out their threat to make life difficult for Mitterrand and continue to clamor for Communist ministers in the first Socialist government, Mitterrand will lose both middle-of-the-road support and hard-line Communist voters. But the Communist leadership may no longer be prepared to run the risk of further defections.

In a carefully worded statement last week, Chirac announced his private decision to vote for Giscard and said enough about the danger of communism to prompt many of his followers to do the same. But he sketched a disheartening enough picture of Giscard's France to confirm the resolve of some Gaullists to go over to Mitterrand and of others to spend a country weekend far from the polling booths. (ONS)

Saudi Arabian Press Review

In a lead story, *Al Bilad* and *Okaz* reported that King Khaled will pay state visits to Spain and Britain early next month, while *Al Riyadh* and *Al Yam* led with Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky's three-day official visit to Saudi Arabia beginning Tuesday. *Al Medina* and *Al Nadwa* gave lead coverage to King Khaled's cable to U.S. President Ronald Reagan on the Lebanese situation. *Al Jazirah*, meanwhile, carried as lead story the usual Monday meeting of the Council of Ministers held under the Chairmanship of Crown Prince Fahd, who described the situation in Lebanon as "extremely critical and delicate, necessitating precaution for any new developments."

Newspapers frontpaged the Council of Ministers' meeting highlighting the crown prince's concern with the Lebanese situation and his call for "cooperation among the Arab states to end tension and stop bloodshed." In a broad front-page story, *Al Riyadh* highlighted the new pay scales for the Kingdom's military personnel reaching an average nearly double that of present scales. *Al Riyadh* gave page one highlight to Riyadh Governor Prince Salman's visit to Jubail Tuesday to inspect the desalination plant which will supply drinking water to the capital. PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat's arrival in Riyadh Monday was highlighted on the front pages of the newspapers.

Commenting editorially on the Royal cable to the U.S. President, *Al Nadwa* observed that the message shows a deep sense of responsibility on the part of the Kingdom's leadership toward the inflamed situ-

ation in Lebanon. It said that the aim of the cable is to urge the U.S. administration to put an end to Zionist provocations in the Middle East, and called upon the U.S. administration to realize that Israel would not give up its intransigent and aggressive acts as long as it continues to receive weapons, funds and other aid from its supporters. The paper hoped that the deteriorating situation in Lebanon might provide an occasion for the U.S. to map out a new policy that aims at achieving real peace in the Middle East.

Discussing the new budget, *Al Medina* said editorially that stability is an outstanding feature for the success of any budget in the world. State measures controlling spending in the last budget successfully brought down the inflation rate to the lowest in the world, the paper said. It added that the state has fulfilled the aspirations of the civil and military personnel by announcing big increases in their salaries. What the citizens can do in exchange for the State's liberal attitude, said the paper, would be to renew pledges intensifying efforts toward speedy progress and development in the nation.

On the same subject, *Al Jazirah* noted that the big pay raises for civil and military personnel reflect the leadership's firm resolve to remain committed to the principle of justice and strive to achieve equality among the citizens. The Royal Order on the new scales of pay also indicates a deep sense of responsibility on the part of the leadership toward realizing of the hopes and aspirations of the people. The paper added that the new budget reflects a com-

prehensive philosophy that takes into consideration almost every category of people, including pensioners who had served the state and made sacrifices for the country.

Al Yam also remarked that the figures of the new budget reflect the leadership's deep concern for the welfare of the people. The paper expressed satisfaction with the revised pay scales for civil and military personnel which, it said, would bring further happiness and welfare for them.

On the other hand, *Al Riyadh* dealt with Austrian Chancellor Kreisky's visit to Saudi Arabia, saying that his tour takes place at a time when European moves have almost failed to gain any acceptance from the Arab states. Praising his stance on the Palestine issue, the paper said that Kreisky's contribution has, in fact, surpassed all the efforts of Europe and America toward the Middle East crisis. While Europe and U.S. looked toward the issue from the Zionist angle, Kreisky, although a Jew, refused to follow their line and insisted on the consideration of the essence of the Middle East problem, which is the Palestine issue, the paper added.

Al Bilad observed that the Austrian leader has played a basic role in changing the concepts of the European policy toward the Middle East issue. His talks with Saudi Arabian leaders would help in reinforcing bilateral relations, said the paper. *Okaz* also dealt with the same subject, saying that the Kingdom and Austria are neutral states that believe in safeguarding regional sovereignty and preserving peace and stability in the world.



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Two factory owners in France accumulate 400 luxury cars

By Paul Webster

PARIS, (ONS) — Nearly five years ago the workers at a bankrupt textile mill in eastern France slid back the door of a red brick warehouse to reveal a fabulous industrial treasure — more than 400 veteran cars in perfect condition. The cars had been the secret passion of two factory-owners, Hans and Josef Schlumpf, who had fled to Switzerland leaving behind them a priceless collection painstakingly built up over 60 years.

The brothers' estimate of the value of the cars, including the world's most comprehensive range of Bugattis, was put at \$60 million. But under French government pressure and trade union protest they were finally forced by a tribunal this month to sell them to the local authorities for a bargain \$9 million — just enough to clear the debts they left in France.

While the bewildered brothers, both in their seventies, continue to claim from their hotel room in Basle that they have been robbed, the nearby French industrial city of Mulhouse is preparing an international publicity program for the unique motor museum it has inherited. Mulhouse, which already has France's best-known locomotive exhibition, has joined with the Haut-Rhin department of Alsace, eastern France, the French Automobile Club and the Panhard company to preserve the collection and open it up to the world.

In doing so, they cut directly across the secretive spirit of the Schlumpf brothers, whose personal fortune was once assessed as the sixth largest in France. From the time their domineering mother bought them pedal cars when they were boys, the two bachelor brothers became obsessed with cars. They raced Bugattis — built by the Italian Ettore Bugatti in Alsace — but their obsession with collecting was a private affair. They spent millions of dollars buying up the cream of Bugatti's output as well as importing cars from all over the world.

Teams of workers hired from companies like Rolls-Royce and Mercedes were brought to the Mulhouse warehouse to put the veteran cars in impeccable condition. All had to be as

roadworthy as the day they were built. But employees at the Schlumpfs' textile factory were forbidden even to look at the collection. The brothers kept up a constant guard cycling around the factory, and when one worker was caught looking inside he was fined \$100 and suspended for a week. Once a whole trainload of veteran cars was seen arriving — all covered by tarpaulins.

As was discovered later, the brothers acquired more than 120 Bugattis including two Bugatti Royales, among the most magnificent cars ever built. One of these hand-constructed models, more than 30 feet long was once owned by the Belgian royal family.

They had also collected a complete history of the Rolls-Royce and bought up most of the original Renaults in what the big French company itself describes as "a better collection than we have." But the Schlumpfs' final extravagance — a fitting scene for the Rolls, Bentleys, Buicks, Daimlers and Maseratis — was made at the expense of their 1,800 textile workers.

The warehouse in Mulhouse was converted with long red brick roadways and hundreds of second empire street lamps worth more than \$2,000 each. Up till then, the brothers had invited only car-makers to the exhibition — described by Rene Gordini as "the Louvre of car museums" — but they intended to widen their invitations and even built a three-star restaurant for their guests. When they suddenly sold off their bankrupt factory for a symbolic franc and fled to Switzerland leaving 1,800 workmen without jobs, the trade unions occupied the warehouse and opened a "workers' museum."

It attracted 700,000 visitors in the two years before the authorities closed it down while they were sorting out the dispute with the Schlumpf brothers. Many of the workers were kept on to guard the cars as the legal wrangle continued, while the government stepped in to sign a preservation order stopping pressure, particularly from the United States, to auction the cars individually. Now, the chances are that on the fifth anniversary of "their discover" on June 28, 1976, the cars will be back on display for an awestruck public.



TRICYCLE: A Japanese boy tries a tricycle on display at the Tokyo International Fair, being held. It was originally designed by an English engineer back in 1876.

Free-enterprise pet market thriving behind Iron Curtain

By David Minthorn

MOSCOW, (AP) — Animals by the thousands change hands every weekend at Moscow's free-enterprise pet market. There have been complaints from animal-lovers since the 19th century, but the vibrant trade in everything from cats and dogs to rat-like nutria, seems unstoppable.

Despite reports of cruelty and profiteering, Soviet authorities tolerate the market to satisfy Muscovites' passion for dogs, cats and other pets.

The Soviet capital has a few state-run pet shops, and pedigreed animals can be purchased through official breeding clubs. These facilities, however, are insufficient to meet the demands of a city of nearly eight million people.

Every weekend, Russians crowd the open-air bazaar to haggle with private vendors over puppies, kittens, hamsters, furry nutria, parakeets, tropical fish and other animals. Sellers pay an entry fee of about 30 cents, but sales are not taxed.

Dogs bark and strain against leashes, rabbits cower in paper cartons, caged birds chatter and fish dart around aquariums as strollers price the pets displayed in stalls and on the muddy ground.

One woman coaxed two angora kittens from under her overcoat. "They are gentle, kind and smart, with fur soft as silk," she said. "You can teach them to use a regular toilet. Only \$ 29 each."

The market, a series of fenced yards the area of two football fields, is located amid high-rise apartment blocks 3 kms east of the Kremlin.

"People come here in a holiday mood. Couples bring their children. And they end up smashed in a crowd. Can't the market be expanded, or can't it be moved to another, larger area?" one Muscovite, K. Parkhalevsky, said in a recent letter to the newspaper *Nedelnya*.

Another *Nedelnya* reader, A. Fedulova, branded the pet market "a hotbed of immoral, mercenary attitudes toward dogs, cat and other animals", and demanded its immediate closure.

Criticism of the market, known as the

pitiful or "bird market," is not new. Russian author Anton Chekhov described it in the late 19th century as "that little bit of Moscow where animals are so tenderly loved and where they are so tortured."

Many of today's vendors look like something from a Chekhov story. An elderly man in a grimy jacket squatted beside two wooden crates of furry nutria, quoting his prices to passersby — \$ 36 for the big gray ones and \$ 21 for the smaller brown ones.

Nutria, muskrats and other fur-bearing animals sold at the market are usually fattened in suburban pens and then skinned to make fur caps. Some buyers of nutria hold them up against their fur coat collars, to see if they will match.

What do the nutria eat? "Everything," the vendor replied. A middle-aged woman wearing a Russian peasant shawl opened a vinyl bag to display cuddly brown and white puppies.

"I sold the others for \$ 21 each, but you can have the last two for \$ 7.20 apiece," she offered. "The mother's a good watchdog. She won't let anybody get into the house."

Banty chickens for \$ 8.64, hares for \$ 29, and baby rabbits for \$ 7.20 were on sale.

Parakeets, canaries and other exotic birds are priced at a dollar upwards. Tropical fish, seaweed, bait maggots and even cacti are offered in other sections of the market. Dogs seemed to draw the most attention.

An eight-month-old St. Bernard was the most expensive animal at the market at \$ 430. He wagged his tail as his owner paraded him through the crowd.

Great dane puppies, cocker spaniels, pakinese, collies, German shepherds and various mongrels were among the scores of dogs on display. As proof of ancestry, some vendors held up pictures of the puppies' parents, medals from dog shows or displayed their state breeders' licenses.

Keeping a dog in Moscow is no easy task. There is no canned or dried dog food, and owners have to buy meat scraps from meager selection at state butcher shops or high-priced farmers' markets to feed their pets. City authorities refuse to divulge the number of dogs or other pets in the city.

Preparation for 500th anniversary

The biggest celebration of Columbus' voyage of discovery

By Peter Dealey

LONDON, (ONS) — Money mania is getting a grip on what is bound to be one of the biggest celebrations in world history — the 500th anniversary of Christopher Columbus' sighting of land in the Bahamas on his first epic voyage of discovery. Although the anniversary is still 11 years away, nations which owe their existence to Columbus's bravery and navigational skills are already jockeying for the honor of hosting the party.

More than mere glory will go to the country which will lead the extravagant festivities: The financial rewards from tourism, the selling of Columbus replicas and a place on the map of fame are there for the taking. The Columbus festivities will probably dwarf all celebrations that have gone before — even the American Bicentennial. The prize for the winner is likely to be many hundreds of millions of dollars.

At this moment one nation is on its own in front of the field. No, not the United States, not Italy — Columbus's birthplace — not even Spain, the country which financed Columbus's expeditions. It is St. Kitts-Nevis. And if you wonder exactly where St. Kitts-Nevis is, it is a tiny blob on the map in the Caribbean, east of Puerto Rico and north-west of the former British dependency of Antigua.

St. Kitts-Nevis is an independent nation within the British Commonwealth, two small islands, no more in total than about 125 miles long, with a population of about 55,000. The capital of the twin islands is Basseterre and the economy is based on tourism and sugar cane. There is no real evidence that Columbus ever landed there. It is probable that he only sailed by and, glimpsing the islands from

a distance, gave them his own name — St. Christopher being the formal, but rarely used, title for St. Kitts.

One historian, Washington Irvin, says in Volume 1 of his *Life and Voyages of Christopher Columbus*; published in 1849: "Weighing anchor on the 10th of November (1493) Columbus steered toward the north-west; giving names to the islands as they rose to view; such as Montserrat, Santa Maria la Redonda, Santa Maria la Antigua and San Martin. Various other islands lofty and well wooded appeared to the north, south-west and south-east; but he forbore to visit them." Undeterred by this remote connection with history, the government of St. Kitts-Nevis is organizing a conference in Basseterre this month (May 14-16) to co-ordinate the anniversary celebrations.

It has called in a Los Angeles firm of con-

sultants to awaken public interest in the conference — and in St. Kitts-Nevis — and has enlisted US Senator Edward Brooke as an adviser. Premier Dr. Kennedy Simmonds has stressed that it is not too early to begin planning for events still a decade away. He says: "History tells us that Columbus himself began developing his dream around 1481. Work of lasting value simply takes significant amounts of time to develop, commission, finance, research and complete."

Sixty-five countries have been invited to the conference. Businessmen likely to make a killing are also expected to attend — book publishers, tour operators, film-makers and souvenir manufacturers.

One section of the conference is being devoted entirely to the money-making operations: The conference agenda describes it as

"an opportunity to learn at first hand about licensing options, marketing arrangements and other commercial details concerning the wide variety of memorabilia that form an important cultural as well as financial part of every major commemoration."

The cynical might believe St. Kitts-Nevis has grabbed the limelight because it is acutely sensitive to the Columbus cash-making opportunities and fears its tenuous link with its namesake might otherwise be overlooked. After all, it was not until Columbus's second voyage of discovery that he saw St. Kitts-Nevis and that too from a distance. If any nation has a prior claim to fame it must be either the Bahamas — it was there on his first trip that Columbus first sighted land, the island of San Salvador — or Hispaniola, where the first Spanish settlement was formed.

World's largest ship makes maiden trip

By Martin Bailey

The world's largest ship completed its maiden voyage last month and the 565,000-ton *Seawise Giant* which delivered a cargo of Arab oil to Japan, is likely to retain its title for many years as the biggest ship ever built.

The *Seawise Giant* — whose name is a play on the initials of Hong Kong shipping magnate C.Y. Tung — has an unusual history. It was built as a 422,000-ton supertanker in 1977. The Greek company which ordered it then refused to take delivery, and after various court cases the vessel was sold to C.Y., the world's largest private shipowner.

Last year C.Y. sent the supertanker to a

Japanese yard where it was cut in half and lengthened to increase its size to 565,000 tons. The ship is now more than a quarter-of-a-mile long. Its huge tanks carry enough oil to last the whole of the United Kingdom for two days. When the *Giant* left the Japanese shipyard in December it was immediately laid up because of the world glut of supertankers, but this week it completed its first trip — from the Gulf to the Japanese port of Kijire.

C.Y. believes that his latest acquisition is likely to be the last of the really big tankers. No larger ship, he predicts, will be built in the foreseeable future. It would cost \$160 million to construct another *Seawise Giant*, but the

fall in world demand for oil has led to a surplus of supertankers and the value of these ships has plummeted. Earlier this month a second-hand 140,000-ton tanker was sold for only \$4 million.

Soaring insurance costs have also made it prohibitively expensive to operate a supertanker. C.Y. admits that an owner now thinks twice about sailing to the Gulf because the Iran-Iraq war "has made the region a risky area." It probably cost C.Y. \$250,000 to insure the *Seawise Giant* for the 15 days it spent in the Gulf. Shipping experts agree that, in the present situation, it is unlikely that the world's largest ship will ever be operated profitably.

Scientists fail to solve mystery of teeth grinding

By a Medical Correspondent

Why do some people grind their teeth while they sleep? It is a curious habit which can also be distressing to a room-mate. A psychiatrist and a dental professor who have been studying the problem at Chicago University say teeth grinding is more widespread than one would think.

In Britain alone, for example, more than three children in every 20 is likely to do it, and the habit persists among adults to the extent of about one in 20. The figures are much the same around the world. Dr. John Robinson and Dr. George Reding spent 10 nights observing 40 volunteer teeth grinders in the university's sleep laboratory.

They found that people given to the habit ground their teeth for about one minute in every hour of sleep. But, however much noise they made it never woke the grinders themselves. Although the study failed to solve the essential mystery of why people grind their teeth, the doctors were able to draw two important conclusions:

Waking the volunteers and questioning them as soon as they started to move their jaws clearly showed that the habit was not associated with dreaming. The doctors also found no evidence that teeth grinding has anything to do with mental illness or emotional disturbances.

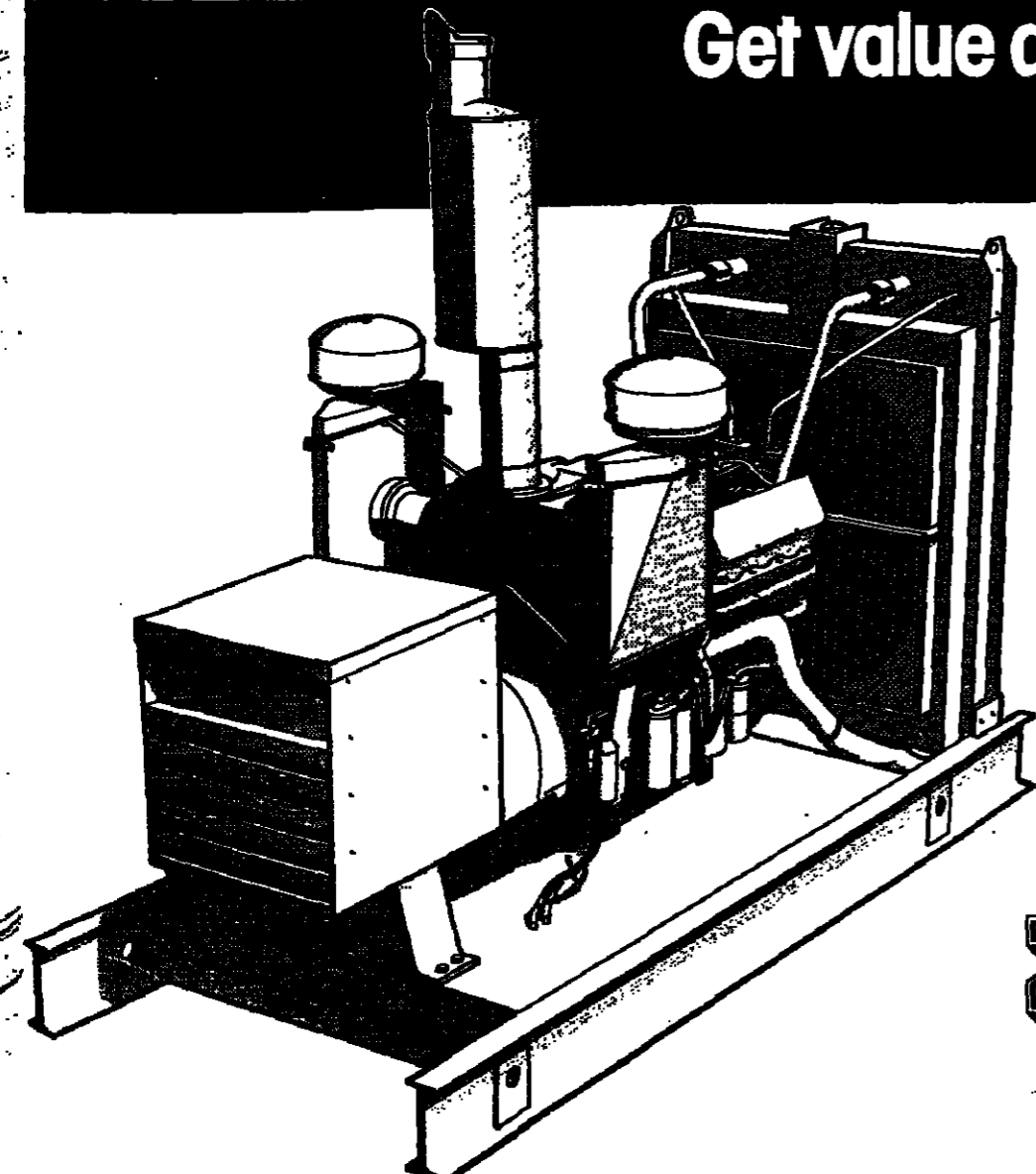
Testing honesty: Purse- and wage-envelopes containing money were the bait used by researchers at the University of South Florida in an experiment to find out how honest people are. The items were left conspicuously around the campus where unsuspecting students were bound to spot them.

How they reacted when they did was, quite unknown to them, carefully observed. No student who found the money had any reason to think that he or she would be found out if it was pocketed. Of 202 items left around, 63 people returned them, 80 ignored them and left them where they were, and 59 kept.

Perhaps not unusually, where it was found and how it was concealed played an important factor in whether an item was returned or kept. "The money was more often returned when it was in a wallet containing the owner's name and address," said Louis Penner, one of the researchers. "It was most often left untouched if it appeared to be just petty cash in an envelope which said as much but with no means of identification. "It was kept only when it seemed 'genuinely lost'."

"We also found that about three in five students took the money if it was left in a cloakroom, but less than one in five claimed it if it was found either in a science laboratory or an administrative office."

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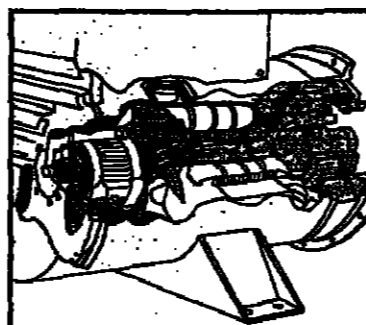
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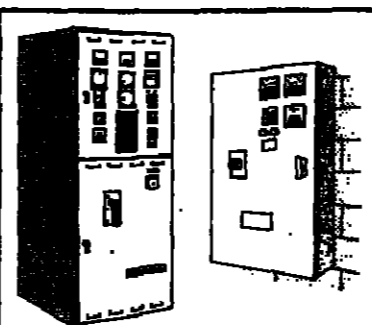
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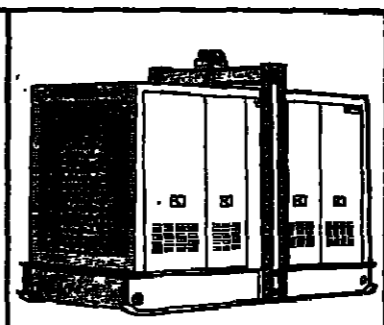
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In UEFA Cup first leg final

Ipswich pins hopes on Mariner

IPSWICH, England, May 5 (AP) — Ipswich town tries to salvage the UEFA Cup from the wreckage of a season of disappointment when it faces AZ 67 Alkmaar of Holland in the first leg of the final at Portman Road Wednesday night.

Ipswich, which was bidding for a unique English League, F.A. Cup and UEFA Cup treble, was beaten by Manchester City in the Cup semifinals and finished second to Aston Villa in the League. Now only the UEFA cup remains, and Ipswich is desperate to win its first ever European final.

It faces another small town team playing in its first European final. The in-form Dutch team from the cheese town of Alkmaar, beaten only once in winning the Dutch League by a 10 point margin, is still in line to win three trophies this season.

Alkmaar clinched the Dutch League by defeating Feyenoord 5-1 in Rotterdam at the weekend and already has qualified for the semifinals of the Dutch Cup.

Two men who know all about Alkmaar are Ipswich's two Dutch internationals-Frans Thijssen and Arnold Muhren — The key men in the English team's line-up.

"Alkmaar are a good and skillful side, certainly better than any team we have met in the UEFA Cup before," said Thijssen, recently voted as English soccer's player of

the year.

"The Alkmaar forwards like the ball on the ground and are very skillful, but their strength is in midfield. Jan Peters is one of the best midfield players in Europe," he added.

"Everything is going well for them at the moment, but I have heard they are not playing as well now as they did at the start of the season. Some of the players are said to be getting tired."

Like Ipswich manager Bobby Robson, Alkmaar's West German coach George Kessler works with a small squad studded with internationals.

The backgrounds of the two clubs are remarkably similar. Both come from small provincial towns, have developed over the past few seasons and both have foreigners in key roles. Ipswich uses Muhren and Thijssen in midfield, while Alkmaar fields Danish midfielder Kristen Nygaard and high scoring Austrian international Kurt Welz.

Thijssen, fighting to recover from a nagging groin injury, is confident that Ipswich will defeat his countrymen. "Unless something goes very wrong I think we have a good chance of winning," he said. "We all want to win something this season." Alkmaar coach Kessler fears the effect of the Ipswich crowd on his players.

"I have the greatest respect for English

crowds because they help their teams so much," he said.

Alkmaar, buoyant after its weekend League triumph, has no injury problems. Ipswich has slight doubts about Thijssen and England international striker Paul Mariner but both are almost certain starters.

Mariner, a powerful header of the ball, is a key player because Robson believes Alkmaar is weak in the air in defense.

Ipswich boosted by John Wark scorer of 12 UEFA Cup goals this season will be hoping to take a lead of at least two goals to Holland for the second leg on May 20. But it won't be easy for either team.

Expected line-ups: Ipswich: Cooper; McCall; Osman, Butcher, Mills, Thijssen, Muhren, Wark, Brazil, Mariner, Gates.

Alkmaar (from): Treutel, Van Der Meer, Spelbos, Meijdo, Hovenkamp, Arntz, Peters, Nygaard, Jonker, Welz, Tol, Kist.

Aussies score six-run win

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka May 5 (AP) — In a cliff-hanger of a game, Australia defeated Sri Lanka by six runs in a limited-over international played here Wednesday. Winning the toss Sri Lanka put the visitors to bat.

The Australians scored 242 for six wickets in 45 overs and had the home team in trouble with five wickets down for 102 when two youngsters, Anura Ranasinghe and Ranjan Madugalle, put on 96 runs for the sixth wicket in 16 overs bringing the home side back into the game.

Sri Lanka kept pushing to the end and succeeded in getting 236 for nine wickets at the end of the 45th over. Australia which won the first limited-over game by a single run lost the next one by six wickets.

The Australians have now taken the third game and prepare for the unofficial four-day test beginning Thursday at the Colombo Oval.

The Sri Lankans have already made a tremendous impression on the Australians, who will report to the International Cricket Conference (ICC) which will consider next July whether this island should be admitted to the Test cricket playing group.

Meanwhile, Middlesex will be bidding to win the English County Cricket Championship for the fourth time in six years when the county season opens Wednesday.

Middlesex, the defending champion, begins its title defense against Essex, the 1979 champion, at Lords. It will be able to field a full team of Test cricketers for the first time.

Middlesex regularly fielded eight capped players last year, but wicketkeeper Paul Downton and batsman Roland Butcher both played for England on its recent tour of the West Indies and Australian fast bowler Jeff Thomson is a new signing.

Thomson and his pace partner, West Indian Wayne Daniel, will be available all season, but Middlesex is likely to lose a number of first choice players who will be picked for Test matches against the Australian tourists. The possible absentees include Downton, Butcher, Mike Gatting and John Emburey.

Jack Baanister, cricket's leading bookmaker, says Ian Botham-led Somerset 3 to 1 favorites to win the championship. Middlesex is second-favorite at 7 to 2.

Hampshire which finished last in the standings last season, will be boosted by the return of Gordon Greenidge and Malcolm Marshall, who spent much of last season on Test duty for the West Indies.

Ashton goes down fighting

TAMPERE, Finland, May 5 (R) — French lightweight Frederic Geoffroy narrowly outpointed Britain's Renard Ashton in the European Amateur Boxing Championships Monday.

Geoffroy was awarded the 60 kg category bout by a 3-2 margin after the stylish and clean-punching Ashton took two standing counts.

Vasili Shyshev of the Soviet Union showed why he is favorite for the light welterweight title by outpointing Finn Joni Nyman. Shyshev's compatriot Viktor Rybakov completed a similarly one-sided lightweight win over West German champion Rene Weller.

Rybakov, who looked very much at ease in the higher category soon found the weakness of his opponent and dealt out some punishing punches by the end of the bout. Yordan Lessov of Bulgaria, who caused an upset when he eliminated East German Rudi Fink, had a hard tussle with touch Romanian Viorel-niana.

Meanwhile, Shamil Sabyrov of the Soviet Union has been voted Europe's best amateur boxer of 1980 in an International Association of Sports' Journalists pool. Sabyrov won the light flyweight gold medal at the Moscow Olympics.

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHT: Alexander Koshkin (USSR) beat Detlef Kastner (E. Germany) points; Angelo la Mattina (Italy) beat Jan Lefebber (Netherlands) points; Mihail Takov (Bulgaria) beat Ferdinand Pachler (Austria) points; Marin Onatu (Romania) beat Jan Franek (Czech) stopped in the third round. Modraf Perunovic (Yugoslavia) beat Athanasios Iliadis (Greece) points; Jerzy Kaczmarek (Poland) beat Topi Mikola (Finland) points; Patrick Magnetto (France) beat Reinhard Jassmann (W. Germany) points, Imre Nemedi (Hungary) beat Terje Sveen (Norway) points.



Coe shatters 400m mark

LONDON, May 5 (AFP) — Sebastian Coe, Olympic 1,500 meters champion, opened his outdoor season with a 400 meters record here Monday at the Crystal Palace. Coe won the event in the University Games clocking 46.9, beating the championship second by six tenths of a second.

The Olympic champ also helped his college Loughborough to win the 4 x 400 meters relay, running the final leg when he made up a deficit of twenty meters to win ten meters clear in 46.3 seconds.

In Hiroshima, Japan, Twelve-year-old Kenyan Justina Chepchirchir won the women's 1,550 meters in four minutes 34.2 seconds Monday. Another Kenyan victory was scored by Kip Rontton who won the 5,000 meters.



TOPS: Ingemar Stenmark (left) and Phil Mahre from Yaldimash, Washington are all smiles as the topped the world standings in the Giant and Special Slalom respectively. This final standings were issued by the International Skiing Federation Monday.

Warwick, McNamara give Aussies victory

DUSSELDORF, West Germany, May 5 (AFP) — Australia beat West Germany 2-1 in the "Red" group of the Nations Cup Tennis Tournament here Tuesday winning the decisive doubles match.

Australians Kim Warwick and Peter McNamara defeated Rolf Gehring and Liause Berhard of West Germany 6-2, 7-5.

The two teams were tied on 1-1 at the end of play Monday after Peter McNamara beat Rolf Gehring 6-4, 6-3 and Uli Pinner of West Germany retained with a 7-5, 6-4 win over Australian Paul McNamee.

Meanwhile, Victor Amaya of the United States defeated Ilie Nastase, Romania, 9-8 in a tie breaker and Jimmy Connors downed Johan Kriek of South Africa 7-5, 6-4 Monday night in the Paine-Webber Tennis Challenge at Met center.

In the doubles, Amaya and Vince Vanipat-tee defeated Connors and Nastase 8-6 before 9,872 fans, the largest crowd ever to watch men's tennis in Minnesota.

Roscoe Tanner had been scheduled to participate, but a spokesman said he did not come to Minnesota because he had the flu.

Van Patten, a former television personality and rising tennis star, and Kriek, who beat Tanner before losing to John McEnroe in the

WCT Dallas Tournament last weekend, was supposed to replace Tanner.

Victor Pecci of Paraguay fought off strong challenge by Robbie Venter and his own lethargic start to squeeze past the South African 6-7, 6-3, 7-6 and advance to the third round of the \$592,000 Tournament Champions at Forest Hills.

In a first-round match, Angel Gimenez, Spain upset Bill Scanlon 6-3, 6-2.

In other second-round matches, 10th seeded Eddie Dibbs stopped Ricardo Ycaza of Ecuador 7-5, 6-3 and Poland's Wojtek Fibak defeated Onny Parun of New Zealand 7-6, 6-2.

In Paris, Philippe Chatrier, President of the International Tennis Federation (ITF), said that World Championship Tennis (WCT) director Lamar Hunt wanted "to get his hands on the game and be its leader."

Hunt made the announcement after WCT cut their ties with the Grand Prix circuit which is supported by the ITF. The new events will carry prize-money of nearly million over the next two years. Chatrier, the ITF was duty bound to ward off the threat and would seek the support of men's professional Tennis Council at a meeting in New York next Sunday.

BRIEFS

INSTANBUL, (R) — Greece beat Hungary 87-84 in the European Basketball Championship qualifying match here Tuesday. In another match West Germany got the better of the Netherlands 81-79.

THE HAGUE, (AFP) — Dutch motorcyclist Harto gave up his dream of winning the sport's top prize — the world 500cc Championships when he announced his retirement Tuesday. The 32-year-old Suzuki racer's decision follows his disappointing 14th place in the West German 500cc Grand Prix Sunday.

LONDON, (AFP) — China crushed England by five victories to two in the opening encounter of the six-match Badminton series between the two countries at the Royal Albert Hall Monday.

BAD KISSINGEN, West Germany (AFP) — Viktor Korchnoi, already assured of victory, increased his overall lead in the Bad Kissingen International Chess Tournament with a ninth round win over Heinz Wirthensohn of Switzerland Monday.

DUBLIN, (AFP) — The Irish Rugby Football Union (IRFU) has rejected a personal plea from Prime Minister Charles Haughey to call off his controversial trip to South Africa. Haughey issued his government's final appeal to the game's top officials after summing them to his office on Friday. Their reply, agreed at a full meeting of the IRFU executive later, was relayed by the Prime Minister at the weekend and a statement was expected from Haughey's office later.

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Steve Carlton dazzles

Phillies scrape past Giants

NEW YORK, May 5 (AP) — Steve Carlton hurled his fifth consecutive victory, scored a run and knocked in the go-ahead run as the Philadelphia Phillies topped the San Francisco Giants 6-4 Monday night. Carlton, 5-0, fell behind 4-0 but allowed only two hits over the final six innings, striking out eight. The left-hander tripled in the third. Larry Bowa knocked in a run with a single in the fourth, and Pete Rose made it 4-3 with an RBI single in the fifth. After Bob Boone's single had tied it, Carlton delivered the winning run with a groundout.

In other games, Montreal's Steve Rogers allowed only seven hits through 8 1/3 innings, and the Montreal Expos got four runs in the second inning in beating the Dodgers 4-3. Rogers got ninth-inning relief from Woodie Fryman and Elias Sosa.

Two Los Angeles errors helped the Expos in the second. Ron Cey, who homered for the Dodgers, allowed Rogers' bounce to get past him for one run, and Rick Monday bobbled Rodney Scott's single for another miscue that cost a run.

Jose Cruz hit a three-run homer in the innings that started the Houston Astros on their way to a 5-4 victory over the Chicago Cubs, Jose's brother Hector homered for the Cubs.

Bob Horner's four hits and three RBI, including the tiebreaker in a three-run eighth inning, led the Atlanta Braves to a 9-6 win over the St. Louis Cardinals.

St. Louis, which got a two-run homer from six to Lezcano, his first in the National League, rallied from a 4-1 deficit, but relief ace Bruce Sutter was victimized in the eighth by the Braves.

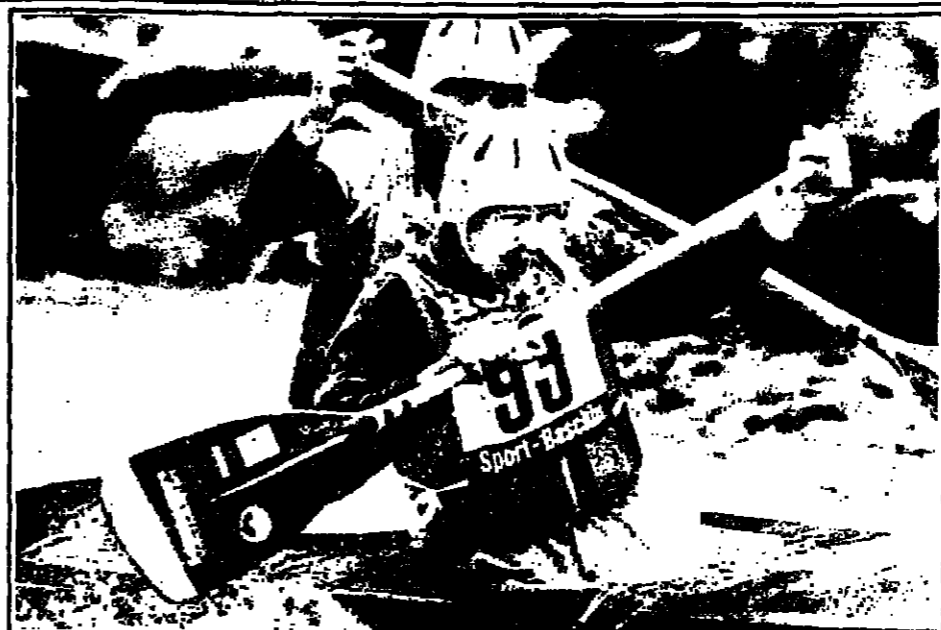
In the American League, Terry Crowley knocked home Eddie Murray with a 10th-inning pinch-hit single as Baltimore edged Minnesota 4-3. The loss snapped Minnesota's five-game winning streak.

Milwaukee's Robin Young drove in four runs with three hits, including a pair homers, and Gorman Thomas also homered in the Brewers' 9-5 victory at Seattle.

Reliever Ron Davis tied an American League mark with eight consecutive strikeouts — he was fanned 13 of the last 14 batters he's faced — and Lou Piniella and Barry Foote hit solo home runs in the sixth inning to propel the New York Yankees to a 4-2 victory over the California Angels. Foote's homer was his fourth for the Yankees, who acquired him from the Chicago Cubs only last week.

Boston and Kansas City played 10 innings and were deadlocked 5-5 when the 1 a.m. American League curfew halted play. The game, which was delayed at the start for two hours and 16 minutes by rain, will resume with the 11th inning prior to Tuesday night's regularly scheduled game.

Dwight Evans drove in a run and scored three for the Sox, who have lost seven in a row. Cesar Geronimo's sacrifice fly in the ninth knotted the game for Kansas City.



FLYING START: Despite restrictions on wild water canoes in Germany, 38 clubs took part as the season got underway on the Enz in the northern Black Forest. However, the nature conservation authorities initially called upon the organizers to postpone the event till August as they felt it was more important to ensure the water birds were not disturbed. (INP)

Del Harris pleased to play Celtics

By Cynthia Shanley
HOUSTON, May 5 — Houston Rockets' coach Del Harris, who by now is sick to death of hearing that the Rockets have lost 13 in-a-row to the Boston Celtics, said that he is actually pleased to be going to Boston to play on that old parquet floor. "I'd rather play Boston", Harris said. "If we had gone up there and beaten Philadelphia to win the NBA title, half the people would still be saying that we can't beat Boston."

"This year, to be the NBA champion, you have to beat Boston. That's all there is to it." The Rockets will be contending for their first NBA title, and they will be playing for their first two games of the series at Boston Gardens, under banners that commemorate 13 NBA titles for the Celtics.

The Rockets way of looking at the upcoming series is this: "The Celtics are to be going for their 14th world title, but we're going to try to be a thorn in their side."

June Croft better own British record

CARDIFF, Wales May 5 (AFP) — June Croft of England, silver medalist at the Moscow Olympics, beat her own British record in the 100 meters freestyle at a swimming meet here Monday.

Croft set up a new time of 57:01, eight-hundredths of a second faster than her previous record and the second fastest in Europe.

To Indianapolis drivers

Bobby gives early warning

INDIANAPOLIS, Indiana, May 5 (AP) — Bobby Unser demonstrated Monday that he could join the elite group of three-time winners of the Indianapolis 500 by topping the 197-mph mark in his first practise session here this year. He says he's ready for the May 24 race.

Unser, driving one of the three Penske-Cosworth 9Bs entered by the Penske racing team, was among the first drivers on the track as the third day of practise for the 65th running of the Indianapolis 500 began. He quickly topped the 190-mph mark which had been set by his brother, Al, at the end of Sunday's session.

A lap of 195.101 mph soon followed, and the record field of 105 entries had a new mark to aim at. And by the time the track closed, Bobby had been clocked at 197.715.

"It was a perfect day. So far, we've had no serious problems and I feel I could run the race today," said Bobby, who would like to join his younger brother in the list of five drivers who have recorded three victories here.

A total of 43 cars went out during the seven-hour practise, held for the third

straight day under sunny skies. Seventy entries were on hand as the drivers and crews tried to get in practise time before Saturday's scheduled start of qualifications.

Defending champion Johnny Rutherford, the most recent member to join the three-victory club here, brought his yellow Chaparral out for the first time and was timed at 192.431.

PIA prevails in tiebreaker

By Shahid Orakzai
Arab News Correspondent

PESHAWAR, Pakistan, May 5 — Pakistan International Airlines won the 29th National Soccer Championship beating Pakistan Air Force 4-3 via the tiebreaker after the teams were locked 2-2 at full time here Monday.

PAF were on the 'go' right from the kick-off and within minutes Airline goalkeeper Sajid was tested with a stinging shot. Five minutes later, however, Sajid lapsed when he let a left winger Najeeb's pass slip from his hands and inside right pounced on the opportunity to push it home. Right winger Mubarak consolidated their position.

The PIA lads who till then played second fiddle came into their own and in the 42nd minute inside left Idrees connected a cross from the right to reduce the margin. Idrees struck again in the 33rd minute of the second session to restore parity and force the game into the extra time, heading a flag kick.

The second session, especially, saw the PAF lads running short of steam, besides luck too was not in their favor as their inner trio fumbled with a host of chances. In the tiebreaker, while the Airlines lads made the best of four of the five spot kicks, PAF managed with just three.

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					Seattle	6	17	.261	13

As rain washes out play

Streck declared champ

HOUSTON, Texas, May 5 (AP) — When he finally got his eyes open, Ron Streck had one question about his day-late, storm-shortened victory in the Michelob-Houston Open Golf Tournament. "Is this totally official?" It is.

Even though the tournament's final round was canceled because of flooding, reducing the tournament to 54 holes, it goes into the books as an official event and Streck receives full winner's benefits, including entry into next year's Masters and the tournament of Champions.

His eyes widened at that. "Hey, I hadn't even thought about LaCosta (the tournament of Champions). That's great," he said.

Although the tournament triumph counts in full measure, the financial payoff was, in accordance with professional Golfers' Association tour guidelines, reduced to 75 per cent of the announced \$350,000.

Streck, who appears younger than his 26 years, received \$47,250 for his second career triumph. It boosted his year's earnings to \$84,175, the best of his five seasons on the PGA tour.

He took the lead with a 9-under-par 62 — a course record and matching the best score on the tour this year — in Saturday's third

round. It gave him a 54-hole total of 198, 15 under par and three in front of Hale Irwin and Jerry Pate.

Sunday's scheduled final round was rained out. The heavy showers and thunderstorms continued Sunday night, produced more than six inches of rain and flooded the 7,071-yard Woodlands Country Club course. The tournament was called off shortly after dawn Monday.

"The course was completely awash," said Clyde Mangum, deputy commissioner of the PGA tour. The tournament could have continued through Tuesday, but the flooding was so severe and the forecast such that "it was unreasonable to expect to play" Tuesday, he said.

Streck was awakened by a phone call informing him he was a winner. "I don't think losing the last round takes anything away from it (the victory)," he said. "I feel pretty lucky, obviously," he said. "There were some awfully good players right behind me. But I was ready to play."

Irwin and Pate finished tied for second at 201. Ben Crenshaw and Jay Haas were next at 202. It was the second time this season a tour event had been reduced to 54 holes.

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To control money supply

Fed hikes discount rate to 14%

WASHINGTON, May 5 (AFP) — The Federal Reserve System has raised its discount (minimum lending) rate from 13 to 14 per cent.

The discount rate is the rate at which member banks can borrow from the "Fed," the U.S. central bank.

The Fed also said Monday that the surcharge for its big borrowers had at the same time been raised from 3 to 4 per cent. A statement said that the measures were taken in the light of the high level of interest rates on the short-term capital market and because of the need to moderate the size of monetary liquidities and credit.

The Fed's discount rate was fixed at 13 per cent on Dec. 5, at a time when bank prime

rates had set a record at 21.5 per cent. The prime rate is the rate granted to a bank's most credit-worthy clients. The surcharge will apply to banks with deposits totaling \$500 million or more when they borrow from the Fed two weeks in succession or in four weeks during the same quarter.

At 14 per cent, the Fed's discount rate is at its highest in the history of the United States. (The lowest was one per cent in 1939.) Neither the increase nor that in the surcharge caused any particular surprise in financial quarters.

The Fed had in fact announced during the week-end a large and unexpected expansion in monetary liquidities. At the same time, there had been for several days mounting

pressure on interest rates on short-term capital markets.

The banks had indeed raised the prime rates from 18 to 19 per cent a few hours before the central bank announcement. Tightening the grip on policy through the discount rate was greeted with some satisfaction by those in banking and governmental circles who considered that the Fed had not been making enough use of this weapon as a means of controlling the money supply effectively.

The Federal Reserve Board had failed to keep credit and the money supply in check by intervening on the capital market and had no alternative but to increase the discount rate. At the same time the "Fed" upped its discount rate surcharge. This is the penalty it imposes on major banks who borrow too much from the Fed, and it means of course that these now have to pay 18 per cent.

The Federal Reserve had hoped to keep the money supply growth to about six per cent per annum, but its strategy went awry when the American business pace proved quicker than expected. Until President Ronald Reagan's cut-back budget comes into play, the Federal Reserve is out there on its own chasing the thundering herd of inflation. Hence the 14 per cent discount rate.

It acted independently, as it is perfectly entitled to under its statutes, following government statistics showing that the money supply jumped 18.5 per cent in the four weeks to April 22. The increase for the three months to that date was 13.7 per cent.

With credit rising fast, too, the Fed initially tried to act on the capital market. Interest rates increased and Monday this week the banks pitched their prime rate at 19 per cent against the previous 18 per cent. The high-flying interest rates in this country are having their usual consequences: The dollar is going up on the foreign exchange markets, hot money is moving toward the United States, and Wall Street share prices are sharply down.

In a related development Monday major banks in New York and Chicago raised their prime lending rates from 18 to 19 per cent. The moves by Moragan Guaranty Trust Company and Continental Illinois came following the announcement of an unexpectedly large increase in U.S. money supply and forecasts by economists of increases in all kinds of interest rates.

'Ship safety check' week starts in U.K.

LONDON, May 5 (AFP) — An action week against flags of convenience was launched Tuesday by the International Federation of Transport Workers (ITW).

Trade union officials will be carrying out stringent inspections on board flag of convenience ships. They will be looking for infringements of international safety and crew comfort standards.

If infringements are noted, the ships in question could be boycotted until the owners

Kuwait lends Pakistan \$11 million

KUWAIT, May 5 (AP) — The Kuwait Fund for Arab Economic Development loaned Tanzania and Pakistan a total of \$68 million to assist in financing development projects, the fund has announced.

Pakistan got Monday \$11 million loan for a fertilizer project. It carries a 3.5 per cent interest rate, repayable over 20 years with a five-year period of grace, according to the fund.

Tanzania received two loans, one of \$26 million to be used for infrastructural facilities, with a 3.5 per cent interest rate and to be repaid over 22 years after a four-year period of grace. The second loan to Tanzania amounted to \$31 million to finance rehabilitation and railway projects, with a 2.5 per cent interest rate, to be repaid over 25 years after a five-year grace period.

Sri Lanka wants to join ASEAN

JAKARTA, May 5 (AFP) — Visiting Sri Lankan Prime Minister Ranasinghe Premadasa has expressed his country's interest in joining the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) during talks with President Suharto, but no formal statement was made on the matter.

Speaking on the second day of the prime minister's visit here, State Secretary Minister Scharmono told newsmen that Sri Lanka's interest was made clear when the two leaders exchanged views on ASEAN as well as on the South Asian organization now being prepared. The two heads of government agreed that Sri Lanka's joining ASEAN would hamper the formation of the South Asian organization, the minister said.

In the field of economic cooperation, Sri Lanka asked for oil supplies from Indonesia with President Suharto promising to meet the request as far as Indonesia's oil production would allow.

The two countries also stressed their similar attitudes to the problems of Kampuchea and Afghanistan, both of which they considered were the result of violations of the principles of the Asian-African spirit (as evolved in the Asian-African conference held in Bandung, west Java, in 1955).

comply with the standards. Dockers are expected to cooperate to make sure that boycotted ships are not loaded or unloaded or allowed to move.

Meanwhile, a study published by the International Labor Organization showed that ten European countries, representing more than one quarter of the world merchant fleet, have pledged to eliminate vessels dangerous to shipping at sea.

China top buyer

U.S. food sales touch \$12b

WASHINGTON, May 5 (AP) — Poor countries are the United States fastest growing cash customers for food, which is this country's most important sales item, the U.S. Department of Agriculture says.

The department points out that although poor countries are thought to receive food in the form of aid, U.S. food aid to them amounted to \$1.4 billion in the year that ended last Sept. 30, while commercial sales reached \$12.3 billion.

Before World War II, poor countries were big exporters of basic foods, but their populations have grown so fast since then that they are now big importers. U.S. exports have been booming. They hit a record \$41.3 billion in 1980 and a new record is due this year.

In the 1970s, U.S. sales to the richer countries multiplied fivefold, and to poor countries tenfold. The April issue of the Agriculture Department's monthly *Foreign Agricultural* said that food is so urgently needed in poor countries that it takes up a large part of any increased income.

"In India," it said, "when family income rises by one dollar, more than half is spent on food and fiber." With a 10 per cent income rise, according to the department's studies,

food consumption in poor countries goes up three times as fast as it does in rich ones.

By far the biggest buyer of U.S. farm products in the year ending Sept. 30 was China with \$1,936,000,000 worth. It took over the top spot from the Soviet Union because of the partial embargo on U.S. grain to the Soviets, which has now been lifted.

America's next-best customers were: Indonesia \$339 million, Nigeria \$331.5, Philippines \$292.7, Egypt \$269.8, India \$258.6, Thailand \$170.8, Bangladesh \$163.6, Pakistan \$106.2, Haiti \$0.0.

Badly in debt because of their climbing bills for oil and food, many countries are trying to become self-sufficient, but in the poorest ones production of food is increasing more slowly than population. Some do not have the right growing conditions, the Agriculture Department says. For example, wheat is important to Nigeria, Indonesia and the Philippines, but they cannot grow it in any quantity.

Oil-producing countries are promising customers because of their big growth in income, but the Agriculture Department points out that China and Thailand also have the potential to be better customers of the United States.

Trade dispute

Japan-China talks begin today

PEKING, May 5 (AFP) — A high-level Japanese delegation is due here Wednesday for a four-day visit to resume talks with Chinese authorities aimed at resolving a bilateral trade dispute over payment for Japanese built industrial projects.

Diplomatic sources said Kasumishi Hasegawa, deputy director general at the Japanese Foreign Ministry, and senior officials of other ministries would resume talks begun in Tokyo last month with a Chinese negotiating team led by Vice-Minister Zhou Jiannan.

Zhou is vice-chairman of the commission monitoring foreign investments. The Chinese side has proposed to the Japanese a financing formula under which Tokyo would grant China long-term loans worth \$2.6 billion that would permit the continuation of three major

Japanese-assisted industrial projects: the Baoshan steel complex near Shanghai and two petrochemical complexes in Nanjing (central China) and Daqing in the north.

The loans would thus enable Peking to renounce plans to cancel the contracts for those projects. The cancellations would cost Japanese industrialists \$1.5 billion. China has also asked Japan to reschedule payments for equipment ordered from Japanese firms.

But the sources said "a big gap remains" between the respective positions of Peking and Tokyo on the issue. Should a "framework agreement" be reached during the Japanese team's visit here, Chinese Vice Premier and Top Economic Planner Gu Mu would most likely go to Tokyo in the middle of this month to formalize such an agreement, the sources added.

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Bonn budget deficit faces \$2.8b jump

BONN, May 5 (R) — West Germany may have to borrow six billion marks (\$2.8 billion) more than planned this year to pay for higher unemployment and extra defense costs, the finance ministry has said.

Finance Minister Hans Matthöfer said Monday he could not rule out the possibility of the 1981 net federal borrowing requirement increasing to some 33.5 billion marks (\$15 billion), a ministry spokesman reported. This compares with the original target of 27.4 billion marks (\$12.2 billion).

Rising unemployment and defense costs have forced review of borrowing needs. Leaders of the ruling Social Democratic Party (SPD) began meetings Monday on the budget, which is to be submitted for parliamentary approval next month.

Matthöfer is opposed to cutting the budget to make up for the impact of economic recession in reducing federal revenue, the ministry spokesman said. The

number of jobs is now expected to go up this year to 1.4 million from 1.2 million, according to the spokesman.

Higher petrol prices have also caused a one billion mark (\$450 million) gap in the defense budget, according to an SPD spokesman. The SPD parliamentary party said in a statement Monday that priorities in the German budget would be provision of adequate unemployment benefit and equipment outlook became gloomier last week after the balance of trade swung back into deficit in March following a surplus a month ago. Economists said this meant it was unlikely the balance of payments deficits would drop below last year's 29.1 billion marks (\$16.0 billion).

They said the strength of the U.S. dollar against the mark was the probable reason for the trade deterioration. In Frankfurt Monday, the dollar touched its highest fixing level since mid-February, 2.24 marks, and the central bank sold millions of dollars to try to support the mark.

Gas supply

U.S.-Algeria talks planned

ALGIERS, May 5 (R) — Former U.S. Deputy Secretary of State Warren Christopher is expected in Algiers May 22 for talks on possible resumption of Algerian liquefied natural gas deliveries to the United States, well-informed Western sources have said.

U.S. to reduce intervention in exchange marts

WASHINGTON, May 5 — The Reagan administration will return to the policy of limiting intervention in foreign currency markets to cases in which it becomes necessary to "counter conditions of disorder," Treasury Secretary for Monetary Affairs Beryl W. Sprinkel has said.

In effect, this means that the United States will return to something like the policies it pursued before 1978. From November of that year through January 1981 U.S. intervention in exchange markets was heavy in comparison with past U.S. practices, but not by standards of other governments, the treasury officials said Monday.

Unlike the policy of the later years of the Carter administration, the Reagan White House and treasury will try to keep a "hands off" attitude toward exchange rates on a day-to-day basis.

Foreign Exchange Rates

Quoted at 5:00 P.M. Monday

	SAMA	Cash	Transfer
Bahraini Dinar	8.60	8.60	8.93
Belgian Franc (1,000)	94.00	100.00	—
Canadian Dollar	2.81	3.20	—
Deutsche Mark (100)	154.00	152.00	150.35
Dutch Guilder (100)	139.00	140.00	136.20
Egyptian Pound	—	4.07	4.29
Emirates Dirham (100)	—	91.25	91.60
French Franc (100)	65.00	64.50	63.25
Greek Drachma (1,000)	—	—	63.90
Indian Rupee (100)	—	—	40.20
Iranian Rial (100)	—	—	—
Iraqi Dinar	—	8.00	—
Habon Lira (10,000)	31.00	32.00	30.40
Japanese Yen (1,000)	15.80	—	15.65
Jordanian Dinar	—	10.30	10.24
Kuwaiti Dinar	—	12.22	12.16
Lebanese Lira (100)	—	83.20	81.60
Moroccan Dirham (100)	—	67.70	67.70
Pakistani Rupee (100)	—	69.50	64.10
Philippines Peso (100)	—	—	43.70
Pound Sterling	7.25	7.22	7.15
Qatari Riyal (100)	—	92.20	92.50
Singapore Dollar (100)	—	40.00	37.85
Spanish Peseta (1,000)	—	170.00	164.90
Syrian Lira (100)	—	52.65	86.50
Turkish Lira (1,000)	—	3.36	3.36
U.S. Dollar	—	—	73.65
Yemeni Rial (100)	—	74.00	—

Cash and Transfer rates are supplied by Al-Rajhi Company for Currency Exchange and Commerce, Gabel St. & Sbarafa, Jeddah Tel. 6428932, 6538943

Pakistan, Japan to bolster ties

ISLAMABAD, May 5 (AP) — A senior official said Tuesday that the Japanese government has shown interest in exploring investment possibilities in Pakistan, as well as step up imports from this country.

Ghulam Ishaq Khan, minister for finance and commerce, made this statement on return from Tokyo where he had discussions with the Japanese ministers for international trade and industry, finance and foreign affairs.

He said: "while trade has substantially increased over the past few years, at the same time, the imbalance of trade has also grown." He said Pakistan imports some \$500 million worth of goods from Japan a year, while the Japanese imports from Pakistan are in the range of \$200 to 225 million a year.

Khan said the Japanese ministers have promised to look into the imbalance. They have indicated, they will try to import more from Pakistan "in order to correct the imbalance, as much as possible."

Brazil increases tax on coffee

RIO DE JANEIRO, May 5 (AP) — Brazil Monday night raised its export taxes on both green and instant coffee effective Tuesday with the opening of business, the government has announced.

The tax on green coffee was raised \$2 to \$173 per 132 pound (60 kg) bag. The tax on instant spray dried went up three cents to \$3.24 per pound (45 gram). The tax on instant freeze dried also went up three cents, to \$3.37 per pound. Brazil is the world's largest grower and exporter of coffee and the United States is its major market.

London stock market

LONDON, May 5 (R) — Equities and government bonds were sharply lower following Monday's U.S. interest rate rises. At 1500 hours, the forward trading index was down 16 points at 575.9.

However, equity dealers noted that selling was nowhere near as heavy as the index might suggest and the undertone remains firm.

Engineers were particularly weak, with tubes and Hawker Siddeley falling 16p and 14p respectively. British Aerospace fell 6p to 222. BP and Shell both lost 6p, but secondary oils were steadier. U.S. and Canadian were quietly firm.

Government bonds closed 1/4 or 1/2 point off the bottom, but falls of up to 2-1 points remained at the longer end, dealers said. Shorts were off about a point.

Savoy was 5p higher at 193, following the increased offer from Trusthouse Forte announced late Friday. Falls of 8p or 10p were noted in Barclays, Midland and Royal Bank of Scotland.

London Commodities

Closing Prices

	May 5
Gold (\$ per ounce)	477.50
Silver cash (pence per ounce)	516.50
3 months	532.00
Copper cash	823.50
3 months	845.75
Tin cash	5975.00
3 months	5975.00
Lead cash	328.50
3 months	335.50
Zinc cash	393.00
3 months	403.00
Aluminium cash	609.50
3 months	629.50
Nickel cash	3010.00
3 months	3015.00
Sugar Aug.	174.00
October	177.00
Coffee May	1051.00
July	1065.00
Cocoa May	909.00
July	928.00

Note: Prices in pounds per metric ton. The above prices are provided by Smith Research & Investment Ltd P.O. Box 6474, Tel: 6653988, Jeddah.

Financial Roundup

Dollar scales new heights

By J.H. Hammond

JEDDAH, May 5 — "Chaotic and hectic" were the words used by a London dealer to describe yet another amazing day for the dollar. The American currency reached all-time record high levels against most major currencies and reached levels against the French franc not reached since 10 years ago. The underlying cause was continued rises in dollar deposit interest rates and some dealers were confidently predicting higher interest levels than those reached last April 1980, when dollar interest rates touched 27 per cent levels. Locally, rial deposit rates jumped by more than one per cent in almost all tenors, a change of track from the quiet firming of the previous two to three days.

The European markets opened Tuesday to the news that several American banks had raised their prime rate to 19 per cent.

The previous high was 18 per cent established by Morgan and Chase. The 19 per cent hike was set by Morgan, Citibank and Continental Illinois and others are expected to allow suit. Eurodollar deposit rates firmed throughout the day and the 3-month dollar rate — a key indicator of short-term to medium-term funds — closed at 20 3/16 — 20 5/16 per cent levels after opening at 19 13/16 — 19 15/16 per cent levels. The one month is just under the 20 per cent at 19 15/16 bid, but offered at 20 1/16 per cent with heavy takers. The market was also convinced that the Federal Reserve Bank of America will not ease the present high rates, especially after "Fed" Chairman Volcker's statement Monday night that the Fed will pursue a more aggressive monetary policy to bring money supply and inflation in line.

On the European exchanges, the dollar reached a 10-year previous level against the French franc, closing at 5.4130 levels in Europe. It had been trading at 5.37 levels the previous day-Monday. The German mark fell substantially to 2.2690 levels after it had reached 2.27 levels at one stage.

There was reported to be some heavy intervention by the German Bundesbank in support of the mark when it reached the 2.27 level. Dealers are now talking about a new "psychological barrier" of 2.30 that will be broken against the mark. Unlike the yen that remained stable at 218 levels and in fact rose slightly against the dollar to 217.75 at one stage, sterling lost more than 2-3 cents in another day's trading, whilst being quoted at 2.1135 in late afternoon. Tuesday morning saw sterling fall to 2.0980 levels in London and Frankfurt. This is a two-year low for sterling against the dollar. The Swiss franc also lost ground to 2.0710 levels by afternoon trading.

Locally, it was a hectic day for inter-bank dealing with rial deposit rates rising from one month JIBOR levels of 14 1/2-15 per cent to 17 1/4-17 1/2 per cent by late afternoon. The one-year Bahrain interbank level reached 16 1/2-17 per cent a two per cent rise over morning rates. The week fixed deposit rate came at 17 1/2 per cent it had been at 14 1/2-15 per cent levels all last week. Spot rial was quoted at 3.3610-35 at one stage and some business was done at the upper level, indicating demand for the dollar.

Gold and silver continued to ease with the dollar's rise. Gold prices fell from \$480 per ounce levels to \$476 per ounce in mid-day London bullion dealing. Silver fell below the \$11.00 level to \$10.85.

Cameroun makes strides as oil producer

DOULA, Cameroun, May 5 (R) — Cameroun's development as an oil producer and exporter takes a step forward this month with the opening of its first refinery at the port of Victoria.

President Ahmadou Ahidjo is expected to open the refinery officially on May 16, although oil company sources Doula say the plant has already begun to operate and supplies of up to half the planned 40,000 barrels per day (BPD) output are flowing.

The refinery is expected to reach full production within three months. Cameroun is likely to export to surplus refined oil to the Central African Republic and possibly Chad, refinery personnel say.

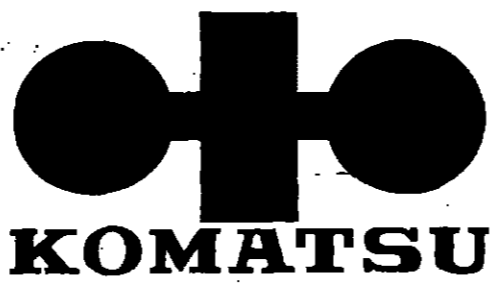
The refinery will be supplied with crude oil from Cameroun's Rio Del Ray fields, under development by Elf-Serepca, an affiliate of the French company Elf-Aquitaine, and Pecten, a subsidiary of the U.S. Shell Oil Company.

Few official statistics on Cameroun's oil production are given, but figures mentioned by President Ahidjo, and in line with industry estimates, put last year's production at 2.9 million tons, compared with 1.7 million in 1979.

Five companies are involved in exploration in Cameroun — Pecten, Elf-Serepca, Mobil Oil, Total and Gulf. All production is shared with the state-owned Societe Nationale des Hydrocarbures, which owns 60 per cent of Rio Del Ray, currently the only operating field.

An offshore field near Victoria operated by Pecten is due to begin production next year and may be followed by another, operated by a Mobil-Total consortium. Some oil industry sources are hoping for national production of five million tons a year by 1985, and possibly twice that by the end of the decade.

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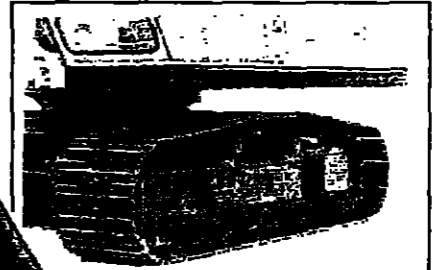
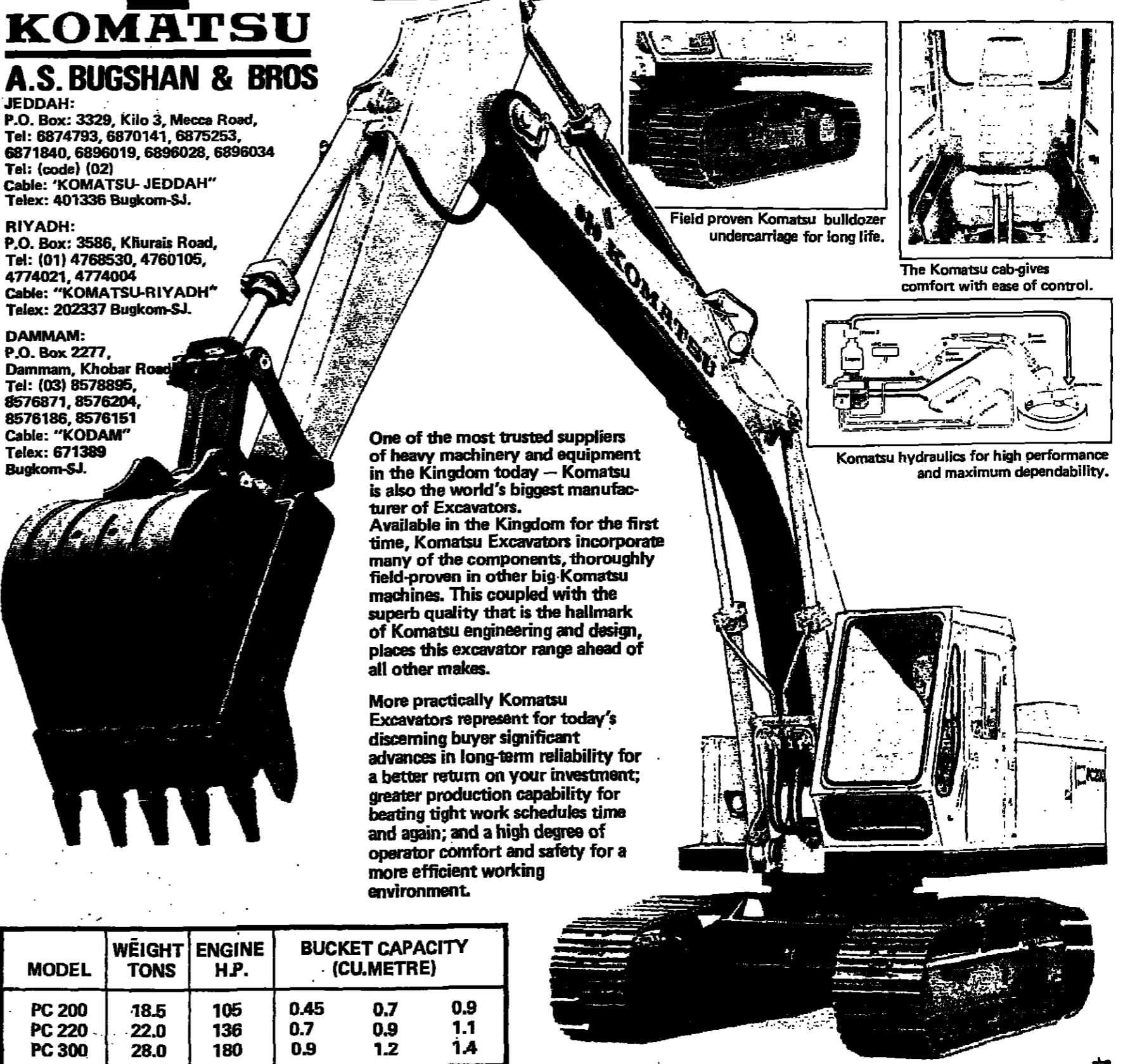


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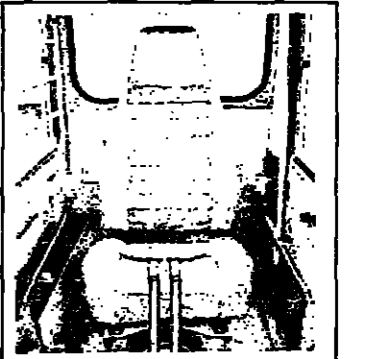
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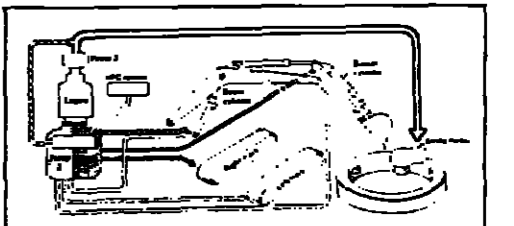
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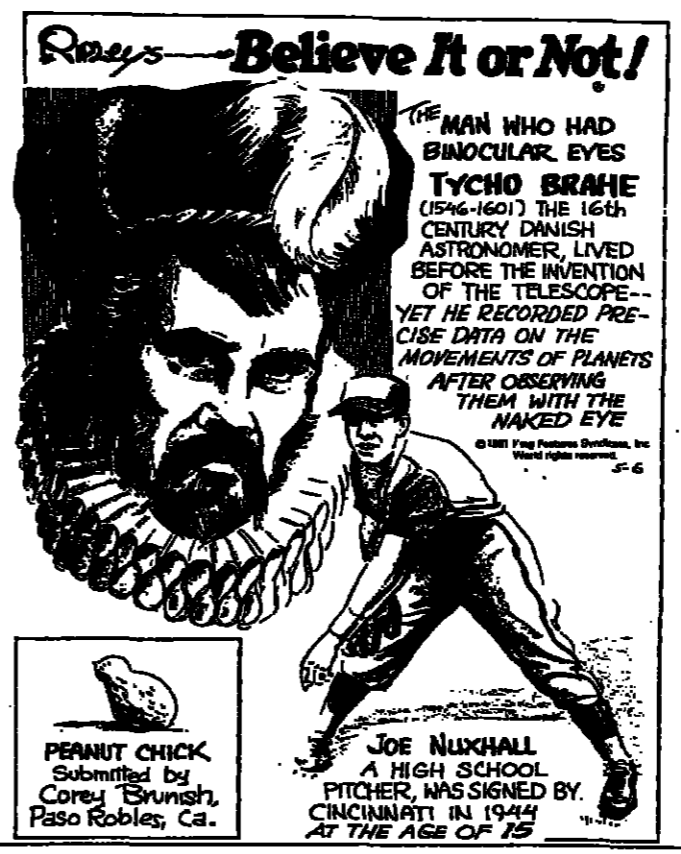
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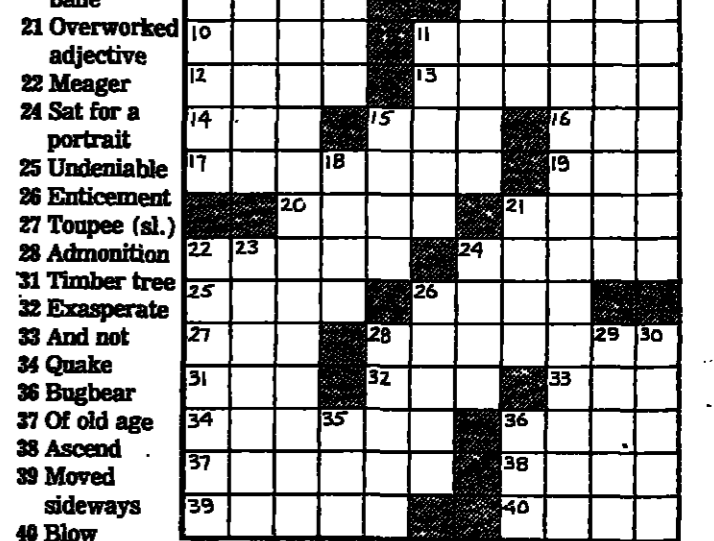
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Arabic News Calendar table with columns for various news programs and times.

U.N. move on Kampuchea

China protests Viet provocation

PEKING, May 5 (AP) — China Tuesday accused Vietnamese troops of killing or wounding more than 60 Chinese so far this year and reported more Vietnamese border assaults in the last few days. A note sent to the Vietnamese Embassy in Peking demanded an immediate halt to all Vietnamese encroachment in Chinese territory and "an end to their provocations and disruptive activities along the Sino-Vietnamese border."

"The Chinese government reserves the right to demand from the Vietnamese authorities compensation for all the losses thus incurred," the note added. In 241 intrusions and provocations so far this year, it charged, Vietnamese troops also kidnapped 19 Chinese civilians, killed or seized large number of cattle and demolished many civilian houses.

It said 15 Chinese were killed or wounded by mines laid by Vietnamese troops in Chinese territory. Since the start of the year, the note said, Vietnamese troops shelled almost every day many sectors within Chinese territory, constantly despatched armed personnel and agents to sneak into Chinese territory to spy on, attack and kidnap Chinese border inhabitants in a deliberate attempt to harass and disrupt their normal life and production and aggravate tension along the Sino-Vietnamese border.

The note added: "In the past few days, the Vietnamese authorities again despatched a large number of armed personnel for assaults and harassments in many border sectors of China's Guangxi Zhuang autonomous region and Yunnan province." It said Vietnam's "professed willingness to improve relations

between the two countries ... is the double tactics consistently used by the Vietnamese side."

China launched a four-week attack into Vietnam in February 1979, calling it a defensive counterattack against Vietnamese provocations. Each side accuses the other of trying to dominate Southeast Asia.

Meanwhile, 21 of the 54 countries on the U.N. Economic and Social Council sponsored a proposal in the council's social committee Monday calling for withdrawal of foreign troops from Kampuchea (Cambodia).

Thai Ambassador Birabongse Kasemsri, introducing the so-called draft decision, said that in Kampuchea, "200-000 foreign occupying forces continue to deny the people their legitimate right to determine their own future without alien domination."

Nogoc Dung of Vietnam, which has troops in that neighboring country, complained that the proposal called for "the withdrawal of Vietnamese forces" but did not mention "the threat of China" nor Thailand's action in allowing Pol Pot's forces on its territory. The Vietnamese troops chased Pol Pot's government out of Kampuchea's capital, Phnom Penh, in January 1979 and put Heng Samrin's government in its place. Pol Pot is now fighting back from the countryside.

Those co-sponsoring the draft decision with Thailand were Malaysia, the Philippines, Singapore, Japan, Fiji, Samoa, Papua New Guinea, Nepal, Pakistan, Australia, New Zealand, Canada, Britain, France, West Germany, the Netherlands, Italy, Somalia, Sudan and Costa Rica.

It would have the council endorse a resolution the U.N. Human Rights Commission adopted in Geneva March 6 calling for the withdrawal of foreign forces from Kampuchea to allow the people to enjoy self-determination.

The Thai ambassador pointed out that it also "notes with appreciation" the recent visit to the area by U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim's special representative, Muhammad Essaafi of Tunisia. Aloumko Kitikhoum of Laos termed the proposal "untimely" and said some delegations were trying to draft the committee into "a sterile, polemic debate." He pointed out that Laos, Vietnam and Kampuchea had already said in the assembly last fall that they would not attend the international conference the assembly called for and had proposed a regional conference instead.

Mihail Sebev of Bulgaria and Valentin N. Fissenko of Byelorussia also opposed the proposed draft decision. But John Reid Morden of Canada spoke in favor of it. Voting was postponed to a later meeting. In the United Nations, Pol Pot's group is still recognized as the legitimate government of Kampuchea. It has a U.N. mission in New York and sits in the General Assembly.

Autonomous regions

Filipino leader calls for talks

MANILA, May 5 (AFP) — A Filipino Muslim leader warned Tuesday that a threatened merger between the separatist Moro National Liberation Front (MNLF) and the Communist New People's Army (NPA) could cause the "gravest danger" if the southern Philippines conflict were not resolved.

Salipada Pendatun, head of the Muslim Association of the Philippines, urged the government to resume negotiations with the MNLF and make a frank assessment of the separatist war which has claimed an estimated 60,000 lives in eight years of fighting.



TRAFFIC CONTROL: A police chief at Silver Spring in Pennsylvania has found a novel way to slow down cars. He has modified a conventional hair dryer to look like a radar gun and fools speeding drivers over and over with the device.

Bonded laborers freed from quarry near Delhi

NEW DELHI, May 5 (AP) — Nearly 100 men, women and children were freed from a stone quarry about 20 kms north of here where they had been kept illegally for several months as bonded laborers, it was reported here Tuesday.

More than 20 families at the village of Lakharpur in Haryana state were put on trucks by social workers and taken to a nearby hamlet where they were to be housed in a school until they could secure new jobs, news reports said. The quarry owner was not present when the workers were taken away.

The laborers were recruited about seven months ago from the states of Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh when workers at a private stone crushing firm in Lakharpur struck for higher wages, the reports said.

Although promised nine rupees (\$1.08) a day for men and seven rupees for women, the laborers were given less than half those amounts and were paid only sporadically, they told a truckload of reporters accompanying the opposition politician who organized the release.

According to the news reports, the quarry owner had paid the train fares of the laborers from their homes to Lakharpur. The fares were to be deducted from their wages, and the laborers were to be allowed to return home after six months.

Although they had been working at the quarry for seven months, the owner maintained the debt had not been repaid and refused to permit them to leave, the laborers told reporters. Some workers said the money they had been given was considered an "advance" rather than as wages and that the owner claimed their debt to him actually had increased.

Brady operated again

WASHINGTON, May 5 (AFP) — White House spokesman James Brady, wounded in the head in the attempt on the life of United States President Ronald Reagan March 30, underwent his third operation Monday night, the George Washington Hospital said.

Spokesman Dennis O'Leary said the operation was to prevent the further appearance of blood clots in Brady's lungs. Small clots were discovered in his right lung Monday and it was feared that the formation of larger clots would threaten his life.

Bolivia takes oilfield back from gunmen

SANTA CRUZ, Bolivia, May 5 (Agencies) — A government anti-guerrilla unit Monday recaptured Occidental Petroleum's "Tiza" oilfield from some 50 terrorists who seized the area Saturday, demanding the government's resignation, according to officers taking part in the operation.

The terrorists were taken prisoner and some of the government forces, including Col. Gary Prado, commander of the eighth division army in Santa Cruz, were gravely wounded. None of the 52 plant workers taken hostage by the guerrillas was reported harmed, the officers, who asked not to be identified, said. There was no immediate word on terrorist casualties.

Gen. Jorge Aquila Teran, commander in chief of the Bolivian army, said that the situation is "tranquil and normal" at the oilfield in southeastern Bolivia. The heavily-armed right-wing extremists took over the oil and natural gas camp, 160 kms from this regional capital, Saturday afternoon.

The guerrillas, led by former presidential candidate Carlos Valverde, leader of the extreme right Bolivian Socialist Falange, face a court-martial. After taking over the oilfield, Valverde threatened to blow it up unless President Luis Garcia Meza and his government resigned. Valverde said they were "ineffective."

BRIEFS

BELGRADE, (AFP) — Eleven persons were killed and ten others were injured when a bus collided with a truck in eastern Serbia, first reports said. The truck driver, who was alleged to be on the wrong side of the road, fled after the accident, the reports said but was later detained.

PARIS, (AFP) — The French edition of the book for children written by Prince Charles of Britain 11 years ago will appear here this week. He wrote *The Old Man of Lochnagar* for his brothers Andrew and Edward, then aged nine and five, on the royal yacht *Britannia*. About 200,000 copies have been sold in Britain. It has already been translated into German, and there are plans to translate it into Arabic, Finnish, Italian, Japanese, Spanish and Swedish.

STRASBOURG, Eastern France, (AFP) — The Socialist and Italian radical group at the European Parliament Tuesday asked the assembly to call on the French government to stop the expulsion of young immigrants. The motion recalled a hunger strike by two churchmen and an immigrant in Lyons, central France, to protest the expulsion of children of immigrant workers who have lived in France for some time.

HONOLULU, Hawaii, (AFP) — The submarine *George Washington* left Guam Tuesday under the command of a new captain as an investigation continued about the collision last month that sank a Japanese merchant ship, a navy spokesman said.

At Red Brigades trial

Defendant attacks witness

TURIN, Italy, May 5 (AP) — A Red Brigades defendant tried to strangle a former comrade Monday in a cage in the court where 73 persons are on trial, accused of belonging to the left-wing terrorist group. Officials rushed to the metal cage where two of the defendants, Pietro de Rosa and Edoardo Liburno, were being held and separated them before Liburno was injured. He had turned state's evidence in the trial.

"I tried to get Liburno because he is a foul traitor to the working class," De Rosa shouted as he was moved to another cage. The trial continued after the incident. The defendants are being held in a half-dozen cages that resemble a cell block to foil any attempted mass breakout. About 1,000 policemen are on duty in the court building during trial days.

All the defendants are charged with being members of illegal "armed bands." Some are accused also of murder and assault, but they are to be tried on those charges later. Conviction of the armed-band charge is punishable by up to 15 years in prison.

The prisoners were rounded up in recent months with police investigators and state prosecutors saying the Red Brigades were being weakened by divisions within their ranks. They said a significant number of arrests were based on information given by disgruntled members who turned informers.

Another cage trial in Turin with 78 defendants was postponed Monday when one of the prisoners shouted obscenities at the court and others pounded on the bars of their cages. The defendants are accused of belonging to another armed band, the radical front line. Presiding judge Antonello Bonu rescheduled the trial for May 20.

Intelligence work hampered

U.S. tightens information act

WASHINGTON, May 5 (R) — The Reagan administration has made it harder for citizens to obtain government information and files under the U.S. Freedom of Information Act. Attorney General William French Smith said he was ordering a review of the act with an eye to sending Congress amendments to make it even tougher for people to obtain government files.

He said Monday he was rescinding a requirement set up by former Attorney General Griffin Bell which told government agencies they could withhold requested information only by showing that disclosure would be "demonstrably harmful" to the government. Some legal experts said this requirement made it easier for people seeking files and information under the law by forcing government agencies to be prepared to prove in court that release of requested information would be harmful.

Jack Landau, director of the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press, said Monday's change "will severely restrict the public's right to know government information." Smith said both foreign and domestic U.S. intelligence had been hampered under the Freedom of Information Act.

Under the law which established the Freedom of Information Act 15 years ago, federal government agencies were told they could withhold information that fell into nine areas. These included classified information, trade and financial secrets personnel files, and material involving investigative records for law enforcement purposes.

But in the memorandum to the heads of all government agencies which is now being rescinded, Bell said the government "should not withhold documents unless it is important to the public to do so, even if there is arguable legal basis for the withholding."

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Labor trouble erupts

Conservatives quit Swedish coalition

STOCKHOLM, May 5 (R) — Swedish Prime Minister Thorbjörn Faellin was confronted with labor troubles Tuesday as he tried to keep his fragmented coalition government, which has ruled since 1979, from collapse.

A trade union representing about 17,000 clerical workers in major exporting firms began an indefinite strike which could have serious effects on the country's already troubled economy. Conservative Party ministers in the coalition of Conservatives, Liberals



Swedish Premier Thorbjörn Faellin

and Centrists resigned Monday over a dispute on income tax reform.

Prime Minister Faellin postponed a decision on dissolving his government and said three solutions were possible — the government could resign, elections could be called or he could continue as leader with tacit Conservative support.

The Conservative Party leader and Economics Minister Goesta Bohman, who led seven colleagues out of the cabinet, has given no indication whether his party would continue to support the coalition in the Riksdag (parliament).

Asked in a television interview whether the Conservatives would support a parliamentary motion of no confidence in the government, Bohman declined to answer directly. "This is a constitutional question to be decided by the forces and procedures of the Riksdag," he said.

The Conservatives hold 73 seats, the Centrists 64 and the Liberals 38 in the Riksdag against the Social Democrats' 154 and the Communists' 20 seats. Faellin said on television Monday night that apart from the week-old government crisis, Sweden faced the possibility of a crippling strike in key sectors of the economy.

The clerical workers' strike followed a breakdown in negotiations with the employers federation (SAF) aimed at seeking a compromise over compensation for "wage drift" — the difference between actual earnings and basic wages — in the private sector.

At funerals

Spaniards yell for coup

MADRID, May 5 (AP) — Crowds at the funerals of a Spanish general and three policemen slain by gunmen in Madrid and Barcelona shouted support Tuesday for a military takeover in Spain. As pallbearers carried the coffins of the shooting victims from their private funerals, large crowds screamed anti-government slogans and urged the military to try again to take power "to stop the disintegration of Spain."

There also were shouts for Lt. Col. Antonio Tejero Molina to be freed from jail. Tejero Molina led nearly 300 civil guard officers who stormed the lower house of parliament Feb. 23 and held its members hostage for 18 hours before surrendering. He is one of the 45 persons, including three high-ranking army generals, awaiting military trial in connection with the coup attempt.

Brig. Gen. Andres Gonzalez de Soto and policeman Ignacio Garcia, who rushed to his aid, were shot to death by three gunmen in downtown Madrid Monday morning. A half-hour later, two civil guardsmen breaking into a Barcelona bar were assassinated by two gunmen.

The interior ministry immediately blamed the radical left-wing organization Grapo for the killings, which pushed the death toll this year from Spanish political violence to 22. Grapo, which is a Spanish acronym for revolutionary anti-fascist groups of the First of October, is said to be a small left-wing band most of whose leaders are serving long prison terms for terrorism.

Emilio Avelino Gomez, 28, an alleged Grapo member wounded in the Madrid attack, was reported in very grave condition. Two passersby wounded in the shootout were reported improved and a third was discharged from the hospital.

The inability of the Spanish government to stem the tide of political violence in Spain — particularly in the northern Basque country — was thought to be a prime motive in the February coup attempt. Gen. Gonzalez de Soto, a former defense ministry press division head, was the first military officer on active duty killed by terrorists since the attempt.

Thai plotters given amnesty

BANGKOK, May 5 (R) — King Bhumibol Adulyadej Tuesday granted amnesty to military officers and civilians who took part in an abortive coup last month but later surrendered to loyal Thai government forces. An official radio announcement said the amnesty, granted because the surrender led to a quick and peaceful resolution of the crisis, would not be extended to those who refused to give themselves up within the deadline set by Prime Minister Prem Tinsulanonda.

The announcement said the amnesty would also not apply to plotters still in hiding or to Gen. Sant Chitpatima, who as the army's deputy chief led the brief rebellion and then fled into political asylum in neighboring Burma.

Waldheim to discuss Gulf war with Palme

UNITED NATIONS, May 5 (R) — U.N. Secretary General Kurt Waldheim will discuss United Nations efforts aimed at ending the Iran-Iraq war with his special peace emissary, Olof Palme, in Geneva next Monday, a U.N. spokesman announced Tuesday. Palme, a former prime minister of Sweden, has held three rounds of talks in Baghdad and Tehran since being appointed the secretary general's special representative last November.

The spokesman said the two men would discuss "further efforts of the U.N. toward the settlement of the conflict between Iraq and Iran in such a way as to bring about an immediate cessation of hostilities." Palme's efforts have so far been blocked by Iran's refusal to negotiate as long as Iraqi troops remain on its soil and by Iraq's refusal to withdraw until its territorial demands have been met.



POLICE ACTION: Berlin police hauling away a group of youngsters sympathizing with the cause of squatters Monday. The group had formed a human barricade in front of a police van in which some 20 squatters were waiting for a ride to police headquarters after having been evicted from an occupied house in the district of Wannsee.

Leaders face trial in Poland

WARSAW, May 5 (AFP) — Some Polish leaders will be tried on charges of dishonesty before July 14, when the Communist Party is to hold an extraordinary congress, a spokesman for the Polish Communist Party leadership said here. He refused to specify how many past and present officials will be involved.

The announcement was made Monday night by Communist Party central committee spokesman Jozef Klasa at a news conference on the plenum session held last Wednesday. Klasa also said the central committee would meet at least once or twice more before the extraordinary congress. One of the plenums' tasks will be to examine the performance in Poland's current crisis of various top officials. At the congress there will be at least twice as many delegates as on previous such occasions, the spokesman said.

The party was "democratizing" in depth but without coming close to the "social-democratic party," Klasa said.

Tribunal hearing on Afghanistan Soviets branded aggressors

STOCKHOLM, May 5 (AP) — An international tribunal Tuesday ruled that the Soviet intervention in Afghanistan was an aggressive that violated the United Nations charter. But the Permanent People's Tribunal stopped short of condemning Soviet military forces in Afghanistan for breaching international laws for protection of civilians in times of war.

A judges' panel said following a three-day hearing it "wants fuller and more detailed information" on atrocities by Soviet troops "before pronouncing itself definitely." The panel said in a 30-page "sentence" it will set up a fact-finding commission that would go to Afghanistan to further investigate violations of human rights during operations by Soviet forces in Afghanistan.

Panel members said they would try to get permission from the Kabul regime — which they described as a puppet government ruled by the Kremlin — to investigate Soviet atrocities against civilians on the spot.

"If we do not get permission, we may go to areas controlled by the (Muslim) resistance," said panel president Francois Rigaux, a Bel-

gian professor of international law.

Rigaux would not elaborate on the commission, except for saying that it would consist of a couple of lawyers, a physician, a military expert and an interpreter. The Soviets occupied Afghanistan in December, 1979, to install the Marxist regime of President Babrak Karmal and to crush Muslim resistance.

The Soviets and the Kabul regime failed to answer invitations to send representatives to the tribunal which was led by a panel of 14 international personalities, among them American Nobel medicine prize laureate Georges Wald, a Harvard professor Emeritus.

During public hearings last weekend the panel heard testimonies by 17 Afghan intellectuals and leaders plus other reports on Soviet military operations in Afghanistan.

The panel held a closed-door session Monday to evaluate the information before producing the "sentence" which will be sent to the Soviet and Afghan governments.

Good Morning

By Jihad Al Khazen
The eager young student came seeking entry to the faculty of philosophy. "I've read everything," he said, "all the great philosophers. My grades are of the highest, therefore there should be no problem."

"Now you wait just a minute," said the professor. "It's not a question of reading, nor of grades. No one can enter the faculty without first attempting to answer three questions. Get two of them wrong and you're out. Are you ready?"

The student said he was. The professor started:

"A hypothetical situation. Two workmen sweeping a chimney. They enter it together (it's a huge factory chimney). They work in exactly the same way, and then they leave together. One of them has his face covered in soot. The other's face is not. Now, the question: Which of them will go and wash his face?"

The student was astounded: Such a silly question. It's true, he thought, what they say about philosophers. Not all there. "The man who has a dirty face will of course be the one who goes for a wash. Now what's the other question?"

"Well," says the professor "you got that wrong. Let me tell you why before question two: The one who goes in for a wash is the one with a clean face. For, you see, he looks into the other one's face and thinks: Ah, we must both be dirty. The other one looks into his colleague's face and thinks: Clean as a whistle. Sandwich time... Now are you ready for the second question? Then here it is:

"Two workmen, the same two, sweeping a chimney, the same chimney, come out with one of them with a clean face and the other sooty. Which one will go and have a wash?"

The student almost fell off his chair with surprise. "But that's the same question, and you just told me the answer: 'The man with a clean face will go for a wash,'" he said. "Wrong again," the professor told the almost by now weeping student. "For you must consider that the man with the dirty face will ask himself his friend is washing his face. He will then look into the mirror, and..."

"I know I have failed," the student says, "but tell me the third question anyway. Otherwise I shall never sleep tonight."

"Right you are," says the philosopher, "two workmen get into a chimney to sweep..." "Cut it out," says the student. "Just give me the punch line and let me go on my way..."

"The third question," says the philosopher, thoroughly satisfied with himself, "nullifies the other two. It is, why should two persons entering the same chimney come out in such different states of cleanliness?"

"If that's philosophy, You're more than welcome to it..." says the departing student.

Translated from Ashraf Al Awzat.

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League.
Next October, there will also be a high-level meeting between Arab and EEC foreign ministers in London and we shall be included in the Arab side," Arafat said.

Arafat said that he was against internationalization of the Lebanese crisis.

Meanwhile in Beirut, Syrian Foreign Minister Abdul Halim Khaddam was continuing talks Tuesday with Lebanese members of parliament on the second day of his visit to bring together the country's warring factions.

Observers said that Khaddam was scheduling his activities so as not to upset parliamentary Speaker Kamel Assad, who considers that elected representatives should not be bypassed, and allow time for an easing of the increased tension caused by last week's Israeli air force attacks on Syrian helicopters.

It was unclear early Tuesday if Khaddam would be meeting with Christian militia chief Bashir Gemayel. Syria wants dialogue with the rightist Lebanese Front and with the Phalangists but on condition that they break current ties with Israel, Khaddam told the members of parliament. The Lebanese press reported Tuesday that Khaddam told them that if this condition was met, Syria was ready to supply all guarantees demanded by the Christians.

He added that Syria would also stand warrant for the Palestinians' action in Lebanon. Khaddam told the deputies that the Syrian government "has no designs on Lebanon." He added that Syria was a non-denominational country and did not believe in religious division. His government wanted a political solution, not massacres and violence, he said.

Syria installed ground-to-air missiles in Lebanon as a purely defensive move after Israeli air strikes, informed Lebanese sources said. As Khaddam held talks with Lebanese leaders, the U.S. was involved in behind-the-scenes negotiations on the missiles.

The Soviet-supplied SAM-6 and SAM-2 anti-aircraft rockets were rushed in to Lebanon after the Israelis shot down two Syrian helicopters over the eastern Bekaa valley last week.

Israel has demanded withdrawal of the missiles, saying they are a threat to Israeli security. But informed Lebanese sources said the Syrians regarded their installation as purely defensive. Israel said it shot down the helicopters in support of Lebanon's Phalangist Party-dominated Christians. The incident raised international fears that the Lebanese conflict could spark a new Middle East war.

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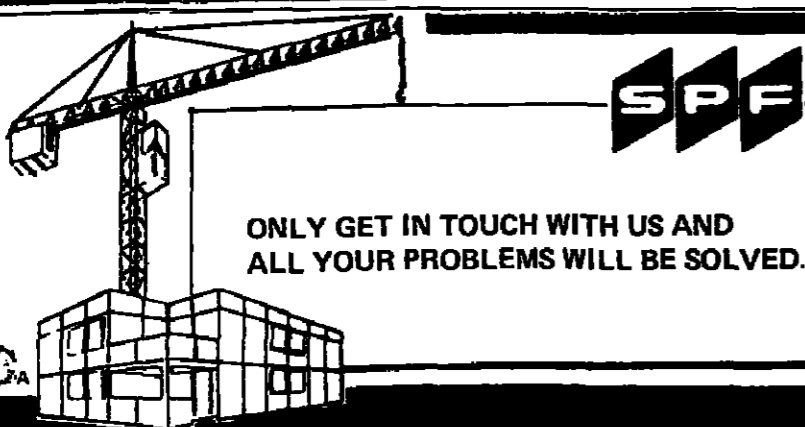
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